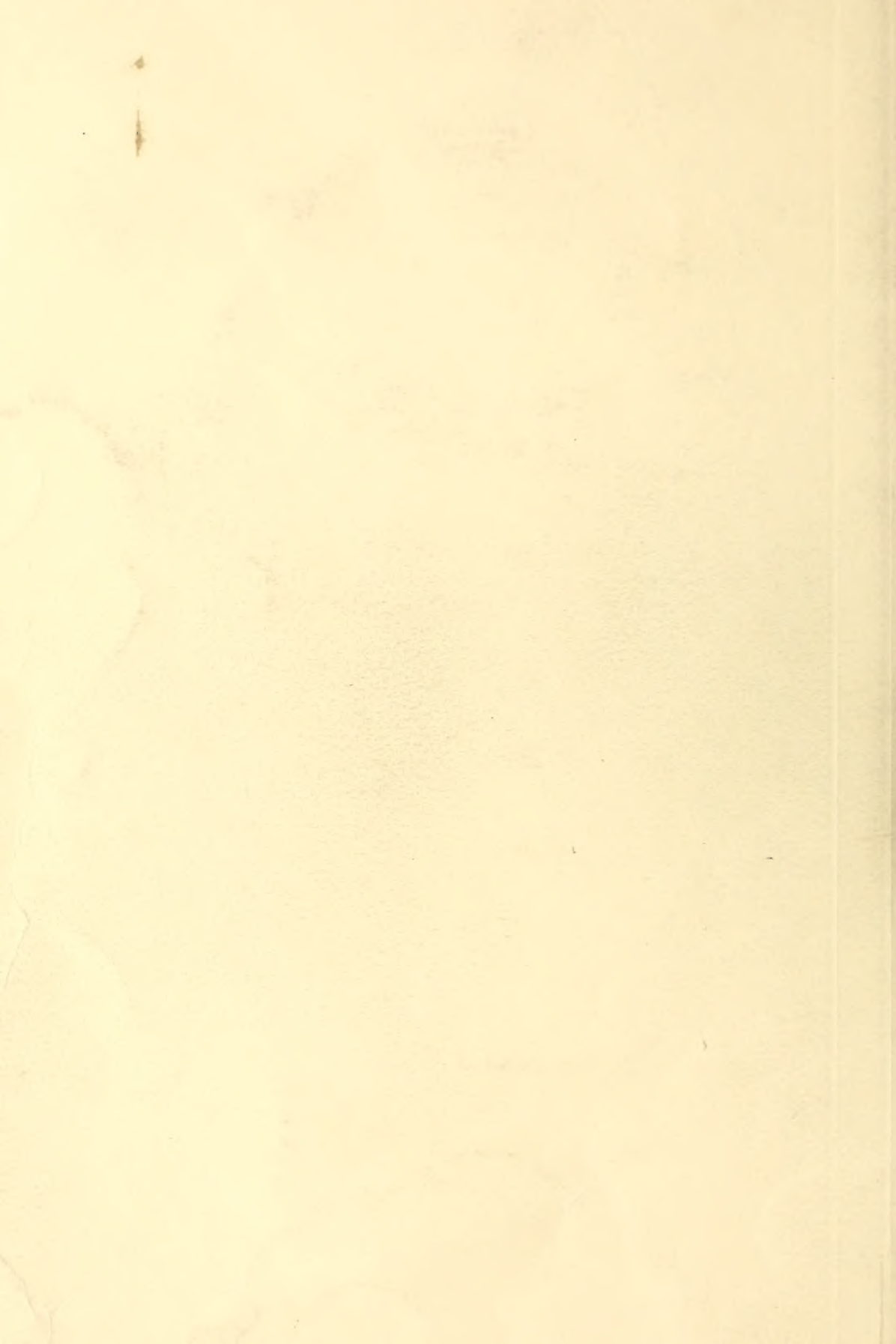


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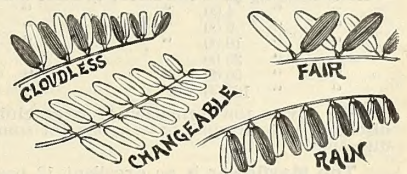


"This remarkable specimen of the floral world, the 'Weather Plant,' continues to excite interest here. Men of science whom on its first discovery were unwilling to express an opinion on its prognosticating virtues, now agree after extensive experiments that the plant is in truth prophetic. Thirty-two thousand trials made during the past three years tend to prove its infallibility. It is a native of Corsica and Tunis, and is known in botany as *Abrus pergrinus*. Its leaf and twig strongly resemble those of the *Acacia*. The more delicate leaves of its upper branches foretell the state of the weather forty-eight hours in advance, while its lower and harder leaves indicate all atmospheric changes three days beforehand. The indications consist in a change in the position of the leaves and in the rise and fall of the twigs and branches."—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

Our attention was first attracted to this wonderful plant by the above article, which appeared in the *Pall Mall Gazette* of London, England. We were much struck with its peculiar novelty and value, and put forth every effort to secure a large stock of seed. This, however, was not an easy task, it being a native of the wild and distant countries of Tunis and Corsica. We however finally succeeded and now have to offer our customers the most wonderful plant novelty ever introduced. The seed are the size of Sweet Peas, round and hard, and of a bright scarlet color and in Tunis are extensively used by the natives for beads and other ornaments, for which purpose they are extremely pretty. They germinate readily and produce a most charming vine with abundance of fern-like foliage and racemes of pink and red flowers. The leaves are to the taste very sweet like that of licorice root. It is a perennial and can be grown in the window or green house all the year, attaining a great height when opportunity is offered, and exhibits a most charming mass of wavy vine, foliage and flowers. It has been thoroughly proven to be an infallible weather prophet, truly indicating all changes several days in advance. Add to this its great beauty and we have a plant of great and peculiar value. Fresh seed, 25 cts. per pkt.; 5 pkts. for \$1.00.

year, or in the open ground in summer. It is a rapid and luxuriant grower, attaining a great height when opportunity is offered, and exhibits a most charming mass of wavy vine, foliage and flowers. It has been thoroughly proven to be an infallible weather prophet, truly indicating all changes several days in advance. Add to this its great beauty and we have a plant of great and peculiar value. Fresh seed, 25 cts. per pkt.; 5 pkts. for \$1.00.

The *Philadelphia Times* of Oct. 5, 1889, gives the following: A London meteorologist has made an interesting discovery—he has found a plant that is quite a barometer. Says the discoverer: "It was several years ago that I first got the idea that the changes which this plant exhibits indicate what kind of weather is forthcoming. I began to keep an accurate record of the plant's changes and also of the weather. I kept this up for many months and constantly compared the two records. I finally discovered that like changes exhibited by the plant were almost invariably followed by the same sort of weather about forty-eight hours afterward. I have found that in order that the indications may be accurate, such as one can rely upon, the plant should be kept at a uniform temperature, be shielded from the sun and be allowed always to stand in the same position. If the leaves stand upward from the twig, making with each other an angle of 45 degrees, the sky will be cloudless and the weather beautiful in all respects. If they stand out straight, changeable weather is indicated. As the leaves droop below the twig the indications range toward rain until, when the leaves hang straight downward, water may be expected to fall almost in torrents. A local storm is indicated by curling together of the leaves, and a fog by a bending of the twigs.





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**TO** BECOME a successful Seedsman and Florist is a much more difficult task than gaining success in most any other business. More than a hundred start and fail where one succeeds. This may seem strange, but one who has not tried can have no true conception of the great amount of detail study and watchfulness required to keep the business in smooth working order.

In the first place, the Seedsman has all kinds and classes of people to deal with; from a practical cultivator down to those who do not know a cabbage from an aster, and from the honest, straight-forward person down to those who are completely the reverse. His success depends upon giving satisfaction to all, and here is where the majority fail. Say you are dealing in two thousand different kinds of seeds. Now to give satisfaction you must know that the stock of all these are fresh, pure and genuine, that they will turn out as you say, and prove as you recommend. If you are growing part, or all of them, you must know just how to care for each one to get the best results. Some sorts must be grown widely apart to prevent mixing. Each sort must be watched, collected and dried in just the way peculiar to its requirement, or the results will be bad. If you are having seed grown in different climates, or import it from Europe, you must know just the particular grower or dealer who has the best strains of various sorts, and on whom you can depend for a satisfactory article; otherwise, some seed you sell will not give satisfaction. Your customers will look every year for a lot of sterling Novelties, which you must provide, and each must prove as worthy as you recommend. These are not easy to get, and usually cost enormously.

Again, with your orders. They will rush in on you in the Spring season in such floods that your establishment is taxed to its utmost capacity night and day. To give satisfaction you must even in this great rush fill every order promptly, and just so carefully that errors will not occur, or a poor article be sent out. Every plant or bulb must be just so carefully packed for long or short journeys. Your books must be kept up every day so that any inquiries concerning any order can be promptly answered. You must keep on hand an ample stock of the thousands of items you offer that some may not, if possible, become exhausted and cause trouble, delay and vexation.

Your advertising must be done just at the right time, and in just the right way to attract and please. And a thousand other details which we cannot mention are equally important to secure success. To one who truly loves flowers and gardening, the florist and seed business is a most enjoyable occupation, but to him who conscientiously strives for perfection in all his goods, dealings and business details, the trials and tribulations are many.

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

### What We Do.

**Free by Mail.** We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL, at the prices named in this Catalogue. If a package is ordered to go by express, we do not pay the charges; but somewhat larger plants can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones enough to more than pay the cost. The recent reduction of postage will enable us hereafter to send larger and better stock by mail.

**We guarantee** that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again.

**We Pack** all plants carefully in strong wooden boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country.

**We fill** all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact distinctly.

**Canada, Mexico and Jamaica.** We can send goods in large parcels to these countries by mail postpaid. We can ship to other foreign countries by mail only in 8 or 12 ounce packages.

**We warrant** everything we sell true to name.

**Discounts.** We make the following discount to those who will get up a club or order largely for their own use. Considering our very low prices, we think them very liberal. Please notice that these discounts cover everything offered in this Catalogue, and not merely seeds by the packet.

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| Those sending \$2.00 can select articles amounting to | \$2.20 |
| " " " 4.00 "  | 4.50   |
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We advise the formation of large clubs, and the above discount will certainly pay anyone for some trouble in that direction.

**The Mayflower** is an excellent 12 page monthly paper published by us, and devoted to flowers. Price 50 cents per year. Do not fail to subscribe for it. See cover.

### What Buyers Should Do.

**Forward Money** with the order, and at our risk when sent by post-office money order (on Floral Park) or postal note, greenbacks or gold or silver coin by registered letter, bank draft on New York, or Express Company's money order.

**Stamps.** Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. We can accept them only in small amounts from people who have not facilities for getting a postal note, money order or draft. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We lose over one thousand dollars every season on stamps sent us in letters. Hereafter we shall return such as come in bad order, and we must deny discounts and extras to orders which are paid for in stamps.

**Silver or gold coin** when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth to prevent their breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose.

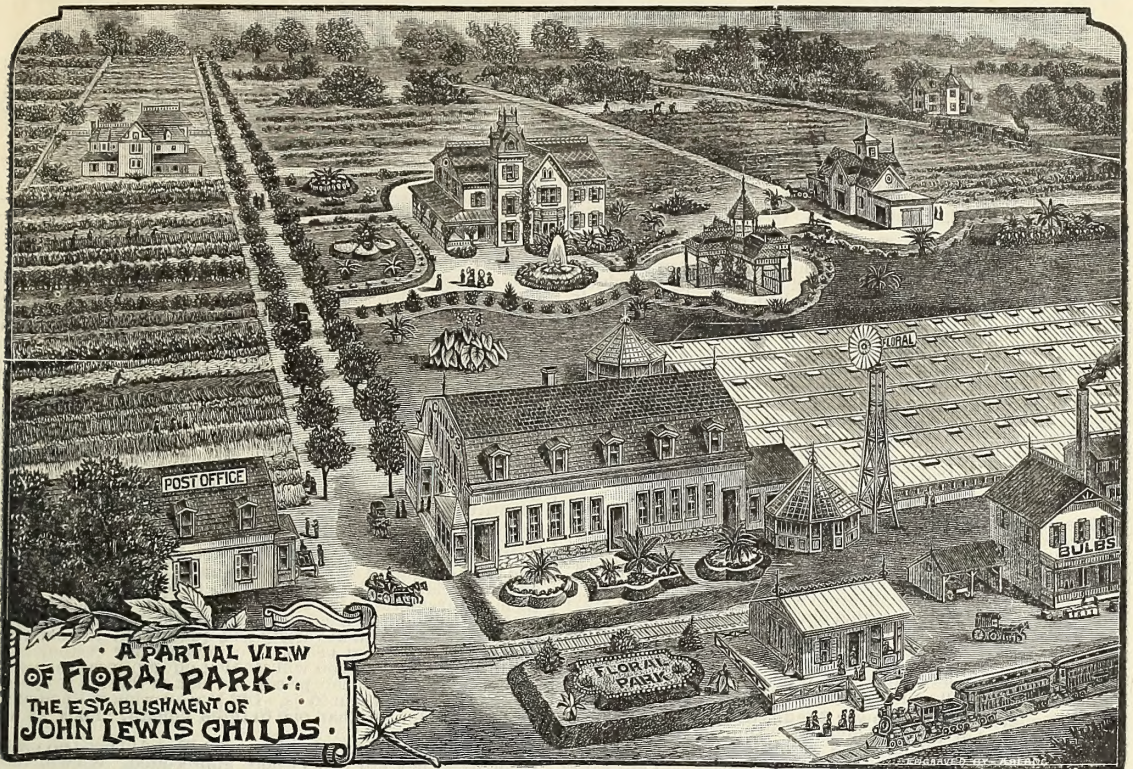
**Be sure** to write your name and address plainly. We have on our hands hundreds of orders of last year without names, others without post office or state, and some with the name or post office written in such a careless and illegible manner that it is impossible to read them. Keep a correct copy of your order, that you may know when the package arrives if all is correct, as people often forget what they ordered, and complain without cause.

Do not order articles which are not offered in this Catalogue, and write your order plainly and distinctly by itself, and not mixed up with anything else you may wish to say.

Those who send a neat, plainly written order, will be sure to have it filled correctly and with dispatch, and will also receive some valuable "extras," of which, during the past year, we gave away over \$7,000 worth. Always carry out the price of each article, and, after adding the amounts together, and deducting the discount, remit the exact sums.

**Important.** It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter, and fill the duplicate order with dispatch. No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as above mentioned.





## A Few Straight Facts concerning our Place and Business.

**T**HE above pictures give only a faint glimpse at a part of our place. The entire establishment consists of over a dozen large buildings besides the green-houses and thirty-one acres of garden. Only a very small part of the buildings and grounds are shown above. Nine acres of ground are laid out in a beautiful park of velvety lawn, pretty walks, fancy flower beds and shrubbery. The rest is used for the cultivation of seeds and bulbs. Besides this, we have large plantings of various crops in New Jersey, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, California, Maine, and several other States.

**Floral Park** is situated about twelve miles from the cities of New York and Brooklyn, in the richest and most fertile part of Long Island—the garden spot of our country. The Long Island Railroad runs directly through our premises, and Floral Park station, freight, express and telegraph offices, are situated close to our green-houses and main buildings, and we are accommodated with about twenty-five trains to and from New York and Brooklyn cities each day. With the Post-Office also in one of our buildings it will be seen that our facilities for doing business cannot be surpassed.

**Our Business** is entirely in a select quality of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants, which we grow and ship (mostly by mail) to all parts of the country, and in fact, all over the world. We have sent live plants successfully, through the mails, to China, Japan, all parts of Europe, the Sandwich Islands, Australia, and several parts of Africa. We have over 200,000 customers, and in the busy season we receive and fill several thousand orders each day.

**This Catalogue** has been in preparation since early in the Summer. The first edition is 215,000 copies, and other editions will be printed as needed. We shall send out during the year not less than 350,000 Catalogues. The magnitude of this work can be realized when we tell you that to print this edition of 215,000 copies for our regular customers requires sixty tons of paper, worth when printed \$12,000. The covers and colored plates cost over \$10,000 more, and the engravings \$3,000. Add to this the postage of four cents per copy, \$8,600, and we have a grand total of nearly \$34,000 as the cost of this book, which is given to our customers, to say nothing of the expense of addressing and mailing them, about 1,100 large canvass mail-sacks full.

**How it is Done.** **First.** We strive to supply the very best grade of goods possible, in freshness, vigor, purity, and highly perfected qualities in every respect. **Second.** To introduce the most Novelties of sterling merit. **Third.** To fill all orders promptly, correctly, and to pack in the most thorough manner for journeys to any part of the world. **Fourth.** To give entire satisfaction in every respect to every one who sends us an order, that we may merit a continuance of their patronage, and recommendations to their friends and neighbors. For this is the only way it can be secured. We assure you, friends, it is our strict adherence to the above rules that has placed our house at the head of all houses of its kind.

J. L. ALLEN, 1420 Chestnut street, Phila., Pa., Oct. 7th, says: "Last Spring I purchased of you seed which have proved so satisfactory that I feel impelled to write concerning them. The Pansies were the finest I have ever seen, blooming continually, and up to a week ago I had flowers that measured over two inches across. There was not a common flower among them, and every variety that you have catalogued separately was shown in perfect strain. It has been a wonder to my neighbors how I could have Pansies all the Summer and Autumn. From the Hardy Carnation seed I obtained thirty-two plants, which have grown finely, but the Chrysanthemums were the greatest surprise to me. I planted the seed in a box in March in the house, transplanting to cold-frame as soon as the weather would allow, putting them in four-inch pots, and transplanting them from time to time when necessary; and now have twenty-six fine plants in eight and ten inch pots all in bud."

MRS. G. E. HARADEN, Gloucester, Mass., October 1st, says: "From one paper of Gloxinia Seed planted last March, I raised 189, of which number I now have 168, 18 of which are budded and blooming."

FRED. TILLSON, Tillsonburg, Canada, April 11th, says: "I have just received package, and I hasten to thank you. I have at one time and another purchased articles of this description in your country, and heretofore have invariably been sadly disappointed, in fact, simply robbed. Not so with you, though. Your goods are beautifully packed, are good strong plants, and I am very much obliged, indeed."

A. M. CHETLE, Derby, England, July 8th, says: "With pleasure I acknowledge the receipt of plants, all in excellent condition."

M. A. DUNLOP, Algiers, Africa, May 13th, says: "I am glad to be able to tell you that the eight boxes you sent containing bulbs and plants have arrived safely, and are all planted out. They were beautifully packed, and I have no doubt will all grow."

H. H. HOLCOMB, Jhansi, India, August 31st, says: "The package you sent me July 27th, reached me here on the 29th of August. None of the contents were injured and some of the plants are now growing."

These are but a sample of thousands of letters we receive from all parts of the world.



## A REVIEW OF THIS CATALOGUE.

**C**OMMENCING on the first page we offer the wonderful Weather Plant, one of the greatest Novelties in plants this generation has seen, curious, interesting, beautiful, and we might say useful. Of course every one will want it, and we trust our supply will equal the demand. The following two pages give general instructions and a few facts concerning our business, which should be carefully read. Every one should also read this page, and the next page, the 5th, will prove a most attractive one to all buyers on account of the great bargains there offered. Commencing on the 6th page we have:

**Grand Novelties in Flower Seeds.** This department has for years made our Catalogue famous, on account of the great number of rare Flower Seed Novelties we yearly introduce. The list this year is the best we ever had, and as you study it you will find offered many rare attractions, one of the most novel of which is the Cyclone Plant. Following this we have:

**Rare Novelties in Vegetables,** covering seven pages, from 11 to 18. While a general list and heavy dealings in Vegetable Seeds is not a special feature of our business, we pride ourselves on the excellence of the varieties and seeds we offer, and we endeavor to introduce to the public more new varieties of sterling value than any other house. The list here presented will, we think, be a surprise and delight to all our customers, for we feel sure a stranger one was never before seen. No one Novelty has been offered in many years so valuable as our Ruby Gold Melon.

**Specialties and Novelties in Plants and Bulbs.** Commencing on page 19 and continuing to 36. This is the part of our Catalogue which will probably be read with the most eager interest, for our customers, like ourselves, are enthusiastic lovers of rare plants and bulbs. This list will surely not only satisfy but surprise all those who want something rare, something beautiful, something curious, and something valuable. The Brugmansias, the Gladiolus, the Cannas, the Bryophyllum, Rose of Jerico, Jewel Dahlia, Cycas, the Tropical Fruits, Carnations, and many other things like the Tree Lilac and Pleroma, no less important because they are not listed prominently, are all plants of special interest.

**Our General List of Flower Seeds** commences on page 37. Under the head of the first division, "Annuals which Flower the first season," will be found the leading and well-known garden favorites. The largest half of most every garden is made up from Annuals, and realizing their great popularity and importance it has been our daily study since we entered the seed business to improve by careful cultivation the various strains, and there is no doubt but that we offer the choicest stocks of most annuals to be found in the country. Our Asters, Balsams, Dianthus, Mignonette, Portulaca, Godetia, Nasturtium, Poppies, Pansies, Petunias, Phlox, Stocks, Verbenas, Zinnias, etc., are the finest in the country. Among them we introduced many of the finest strains, notably our grand Balsams, Poppies, Zinnias and the Imperial German and Giant Excelsior Pansies.

**Ornamental Foliage Plants** are next on the list, and we hope all our customers appreciate the beauty and value of fine foliage. They certainly will after they try them.

**Evening Bloomers** follow, and they are all real gems. Nothing is more lovely than a bed of Evening Bloomers. It is so refreshing to walk among these treasures after the heat of the day and in the gentle twilight, feasting upon their beauty and fragrance. How can any one do without the Oenothera, Nicotiana and Sweet Nightingale.

**Ornamental Climbers** are always useful and lovely, and some of them are always found in every garden. The list we offer is a very choice one, especially the collection of Sweet Peas.

**Everlasting Flowers** follow, and they are so valuable for Winter decoration that we hope those who have space to devote to them will plant the whole collection of 17 kinds, price only \$1. Plant a few seed of Rhodantha in pots in March or April, and grow them as pot-plants for early spring blooming, and you will be charmed with the result.

**Hardy Perennials** are not planted as generally as they should be for the reason that one has to wait a year for them to bloom. Now friends, don't let this one year's delay deprive you of this charming class of flowers. Plant a few Aquilegia, Adonis, Delphinium, Digitalis, Hollyhock, Sweet William, etc., this spring or summer, and next year and every year following they will give you a magnificent lot of bloom without further trouble, and you will feel repaid ten-fold for the one year's delay.

**Seeds for Garden and Window Culture** are listed next in great variety, and we pride ourselves on keeping the choicest strains of these rare house-plants. If you will study this list carefully you will find there are many of these plants you can get very cheaply by growing them from seed. Chrysanthemums, Carnations, Heliotrope, Lantana, Lemon Verbena, Palms, etc. Do not overlook Musa Ensette, the great Banana. Our strains of Cineraria, Calceolaria, Primula, etc., are very fine.

**Vegetable Seeds.** We take special pride in supplying a grade of Vegetable Seeds for family garden which will far surpass the usual commercial grades. We do not handle these seeds in enormous quantities as some dealers do, therefore, we are much better able to get, grow and sell strains of super-

rior excellence. Our customers have learned the quality of our stocks which enables us to get better prices and supply vastly better seeds than most dealers. Again, we make it a point to offer only the very best varieties so that customers may not be confused and misled by a large list of sorts, but can rely upon those we offer as being the best in all respects. The new Agricultural Seeds offered on page 75 are very valuable indeed.

**Summer Flowering Bulbs,** Gladiolus, Amaryllis, Tuberoses, etc., are offered here in endless quantities. Of the former our stock is enormous, covering many acres closely planted. This immense sheet of bloom is in full view on the railroad at Floral Park, and as the trains rush along thousands of passengers are treated to a floral display, the equal of which can only be seen at two or three places throughout the length and breadth of the earth. Do not fail to notice our low prices for the choicest Gladiolus. Isn't 20 and 30 cents per dozen astonishing for such bulbs? Remember that we are the introducers of the Excelsior Pearl Tuberoses, White Tigridia, Cooperia, Amaryllis Treatae, and have the choicest stocks at lowest prices. Plant a few of our superb Begonias.

**Hardy Bulbs and Plants** commence on page 82, and we are sure this department will greatly interest every one who sees our Catalogue. We have tried to make it very complete, and offer at extremely low prices some of the most rare and beautiful hardy plants. Many of these are not listed prominently as space does not allow, but we advise all lovers of beautiful perennials to invest in Lychnis, Iris, Platycodon, Asclepias, Spirea, and hardy Asters. Our list of Lilies is very select and in every way a superb one.

**The Shrub Garden** at Floral Park is one of our favorite and most delightful spots. The charms of beautiful shrubbery are appreciated only by those who have seen and enjoyed them. Our efforts to introduce rare shrubs to general cultivation has been so successful that we now offer the most extensive stock both in variety and quantity in the country, and at the very lowest prices. We implore our customers to plant a good lot, and you will see that our motives are unselfish when you look at the prices and notice that there cannot be much profit in them to us. Did you ever know Rhododendrons to sell for less than one to three dollars? Look at our price, 30 cents.

**Ornamental Trees** offered on page 90 and 91 need no praise from us. They are everywhere appreciated. We will only ask you to look at the sixteen varieties we offer for only \$2.00.

**Roses.** Our Roses are not the cheapest, but the very best. Strong, vigorous, well rooted plants ready for a rapid growth and immediate bloom.

**Plants.** The list we offer commencing with Fuchsias on page 94, is a very choice one in all respects. Our list is not extensive, but we retail more plants than any house in the country. This is because we offer only the choicest varieties, and send out strong, healthy, well rooted stock. Our plants always give great satisfaction, and our prices are low for the class of goods we furnish. Our list of Chrysanthemums, Geraniums, Carnations, and Abutilons, is composed of only the most magnificent kinds.

**Cacti.** Established, strong and good, such as you cannot get anywhere else in the country, are offered on page 100 and continue for five pages. We hope all who see our Catalogue will not pass this department without carefully examining it. You should surely have a few of these curious, beautiful and interesting plants, especially some Cereus, Echinopsis, and the Queen Cactus. Do not miss our special offer of Candicans on page 33, among the Novelties.

**Rare Fruits,** in which we do an enormous business, are listed on pages 105 to 114. Here is something which will interest every one, whether they like flowers or not, for good fruit is something that we all greatly prize. If you can find a list better suited to the wants of the small planter than ours we would like to know it. Look at our Grapes, our Strawberries, our great Blackberry, our Currants, our grand Plums, Apples, Dewberries, Nuts, etc., and in making up your list do not omit the Juneberry and Olivet Cherry. On page 114 is offered some extra fine and early Sweet Potatoes, such as will grow in any climate, and a general index on page 115. Page 116 displays a Rose, which is one of the strong features of this Catalogue, raised and named by Gen. Washington, it is a plant all true Americans will want to possess.

**On the Covers** will be found our superb strains of Gloxinias in natural colors, and offers of both Bulbs and Seeds. Our Surprise Collection there offered is also a feature of our business. Instead of throwing away our surplus stock of good things after the sales are about over in the spring, we give it to our customers very cheaply. The second page of cover will invite you to subscribe for that charming little journal THE MAYFLOWER, and to make your plants grow by using Excelsior Fertilizer, a great thing for cultivators of house plants.

We close by calling your attention to a Trade Mark we have adopted, and which we will in future attach to all our best Novelties, such as we originate, name, or put out. It is the Ancient Coat-of-Arms of the Childs, or Childbert family, adopted when they were the Monarchs of France, about the year 700. It presents the motto, "Imitare quam Invidere." Imitate rather than Envy.









# Grand Novelties in Flower Seeds.

**I**N NOVELTIES we offer nothing that we have not grown and tested, and can strongly recommend. We have always refrained from offering European Novelties the first year they came out, for on being tested in this country more than half of them are always found undesirable. We have, during the past ten years, sold a great many Novelties, and it is worthy of note that we never offered an undesirable one, and those here offered can be relied upon as being superb in all respects. We especially recommend the new Rosette Poppy, Scabiosa Snowball, Jubilee Phlox, Cleome Pungens, Lilliput Zinnia, Dianthus the Bride, and Ricinus Cambodgensis.



## Poppy, Childs' Rosette.



Since we introduced Snowdrift, six years ago, there has been no new Poppy which can in any way compare with the great beauty of that grand sort, until now we offer Childs' Rosette, which in short is the largest and most magnificent Poppy in cultivation. It is a sport from Snowdrift, and originated at Floral Park three years ago. It is a rank grower reaching a foot higher than Snowdrift, with flower almost, if not quite, DOUBLE ITS SIZE, and of the same beautiful round shape, with fimbriated petals, and as double and perfect in all respects as any flower can be. Its color is the most lovely ever seen, being a soft bright pink of exquisite delicacy and beauty, a color so rare and charming that the eye lingers and lingers, and feasts and feasts upon it, and can hardly turn away. The color varies slightly in different plants, some being a few shades lighter or darker than others. Per Packet, 25 cents.



## Forget-me-not,

**Fairy Gem.**

Fairy Gem Forget-me-not is an annual, and not a perennial, like all other *Myosotis*. Consequently, when it is sown in the garden early in the Spring it is soon out of ground, and blooming freely by July. The plants make a compact mass of foliage and flowers. No *Myosotis* will bloom so quickly and profusely as this, and its tiny spray of blue flowers are charming for the hair or button-hole, and for working in with all kinds of floral decorations. Per Packet, 10 cents.



## Two Pretty Scabiosas.

**Snow Ball.** A fine German Novelty. The plant is a strong grower, and the flowers are very large, perfectly double, and as white as snow. They are produced very freely, and are exceedingly attractive. The blooms are borne on long wiry stems, and are exceedingly valuable for cutting. Per Packet, 15 cents.

**Golden Dwarf.** A dwarf sort with yellow foliage, and double coal black blossoms. It makes a unique and beautiful plant, and one of striking oddity. Per Packet, 15 cents, or we will send a packet each of these two Scabiosas for 25c.

## Artemisa Annua.

This plant supplies a want which has been long felt, viz: a hardy, robust annual, giving abundance of elegant, graceful, fern-like foliage, for working into bouquets or other arrangements of cut flowers. But this is not all, its foliage and compact sprays of miniature green buds and blossoms is HIGHLY FRAGRANT, having the strong, delicate and refreshing odor of the Camomille. This at once makes a most valuable foliage plant for cutting, one of the best that can be grown in the garden. It is a robust grower, attaining a height of two to three feet, and furnishing a great quantity of its charming foliage and beautiful green sprays of tiny buds, and of such delightful fragrance. Seed can be sown early in the open ground. Try it friends. Per Packet, 10 cts.







## Nicotiana Decurrens.

On pages 56 and 57 will be found offered our fine Evening Blooming plants, one of the very best of which is *Nicotiana Affinis*. This variety, *Decurrens*, is a dwarfer form which branches freely from the ground giving a great number of flowering branches. It is therefore a prolific bloomer, the flowers being in all respects like *Affinis*, large with long tubes, pure white, and exquisitely fragrant. Its great number of flowers open before sundown, and close about 10 o'clock next day, re-opening again towards evening. Seed can be started in the house if desired, but when sown in the open ground they commence blooming as early as July. It is one of the most lovely of all garden Annuals, and sure to delight every one far beyond their expectations. Per Packet, 15 cents.



ZINNIA, LILLIPUT.

## Zinnia, New Lilliput.

Our Zinnias are famous the world over, and we last year added to their renown by the introduction of a new and distinct strain of great beauty. The plants grow only about half the size of ordinary Zinnias, branching and blooming freely, the blossoms being very small, only one-half the size of the Pompons. They are very double and perfect, and of exceedingly brilliant colors, scarlet, white, maroon, orange, lemon pink, yellow, salmon, bluish, etc. They are really the most pleasing form of Zinnias we have yet seen, and attract great attention everywhere. Per Packet, 15 cents.



CALLIOPSIS, NEW DOUBLE.

## Calliopsis, New Double.

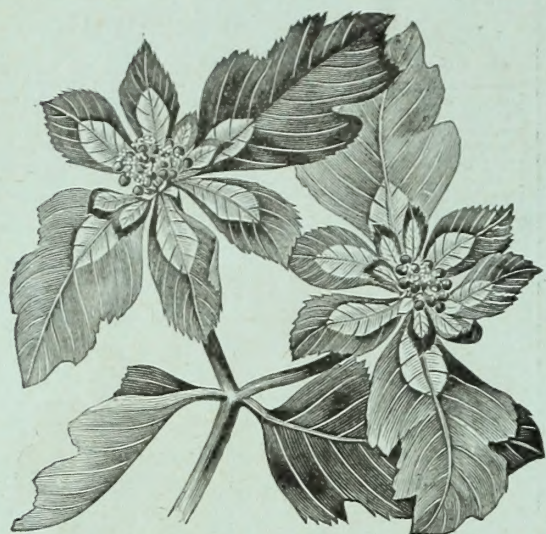
The advent of this new double Calliopsis will be hailed with joy. The single ones have for years been leading garden favorites, and this the first semi-double, or double form, is truly a novelty of more than ordinary merit. The flowers possess all the rich colors of the single sorts, and are borne in profusion. Sow in the open ground early; they will soon commence blooming, and continue all summer. It was one of our leading novelties last year, and a colored plate of it can be seen in our last year's catalogue. Per Packet, 10 cents.

## Annual Romneya,

or Tree Poppy.

Most of our customers have heard of the great Tree Poppy of California—*Romneya Coulteri*—bearing large, single blossoms, but being a perennial it does not bloom until the second season, and as it is not hardy, it can not be cultivated except in the Southern and Pacific States. We are pleased to be able to offer an annual Tree Poppy with flowers as large and fine as the perennial sort, which can be grown in any climate, as it blooms as quickly from seed as other Poppies. The flowers are very large, white, with a purple shaded centre. Per Pkt., 15 cents.





## Euphorbia Heterophylla.

(Painted Leaf or Fire-on-the-Mountain.)

Most lovers of flowers have at some time seen in green-houses, or cut flower stores, about Christmas or New Year and later, the large flaming scarlet leaves of Euphorbia Poinsettia, a most rare and beautiful hot-house plant. Those who have seen it can appreciate it, and when we say that this beautiful "Painted Leaf" is an annual form of the grand Poinsettia on a smaller scale, you will rejoice. Yes, the seed of "Painted Leaf," Fire-on-the-Mountain, or botanically Euphorbia Heterophylla, can be sown early under glass and set in the open ground in May. By August the leaves on the tops of the branches will begin to turn scarlet and in a short time the whole plant will present a dazzling ray of scarlet and green leaves, the effect of which is very striking. If not the most valuable, it is certainly one of the most novel and interesting additions to the flower garden which has appeared for a long time. Per Packet, 10 cents.



## Candytuft, Empress.

A new pure white Candytuft, forming a dense, bushy, pyramidal plant, which is a mass of snowy flowers for a long time. We consider it the most desirable Candytuft in cultivation and are sure that all who grow it will be delighted with its chaste beauty. Per Packet, 10 cents.

## Phlox, Childs' Jubilee.



This was our leading Flower Seed Novelty last year, and it is one of unusual merit. It is the finest of all the Phlox family by a long way. The flowers are nearly the size of a twenty dollar gold coin, very perfect in form, and borne in such profusion as to nearly obscure the whole plant. The colors are the most brilliant, varied and numerous to be found among Phloxes—crimson, scarlet, rose, pink, blush, purple, white, lavender, light yellow, maroon-black, marbled, striped, and variegated. Rich and beautiful velvety colors not found in other Phloxes, appear here in abundance. The growth and habit of the plant is another equally desirable feature. They do not grow so tall as the Grandifloras, and are strong and bushy, standing erect, without lodging or blowing over, each plant presenting a mass of large dazzling flowers, which for a brilliant and striking display of solid color has no equal in the garden. These Phloxes have been inspected here at Floral Park by people from nearly every state, and all admit their great superiority. Seed should be sown in the open ground quite early. If started in pots in March or April, and cultivated as pot plants, they will commence blooming in a few weeks and make a most brilliant pot flower. Try a few that way and our word for it you will be delighted. See colored plate in last year's catalogue. Per Packet, 20 cents; 3 packets for 50 cents.



## Cleome Pungens.

A year or two ago we received from a lady customer, a letter in which was enclosed a few leaves and blossoms of some plant we did not know. These leaves and blossoms gave the letter such a charming fragrance that we wrote to ask what they were. The lady was unable to give us its name, but very kindly sent some seed. It proved to be Cleome Pungens, an annual known to Botanists, but which seems to have never been introduced, at which we greatly wonder. Seed sown in the open ground in May commenced blooming July 1st, and continued in the greatest profusion until frost, attaining a height of five or six feet, with great panicles of bloom as large as a Hydrangea. The flowers are a deep purplish pink when they first open, but fade to light pink, so that the lower part of the panicle is a different color from the top part. The stamens are several inches long, which gives it the name of Spider Flower. After it commences to bloom, this plant is never out of flower while it lives. Winds or rains do not injure it. It gained the prize at Floral Park last August, by being the only flower which withstood the three weeks rain and storm without injury or blemish. It is exceedingly showy, and for a situation where a tall plant is desirable, no annual can surpass it. Per Packet, 15 cents.









**Ricinus, Cambodgensis.**

A fine sort, growing about seven feet high, with shining dark ebony colored stems, and leaves of a deep purplish black having a beautiful metallic luster. It is one of the finest ornamental foliage plants in cultivation, particularly adapted for the center of beds of Cannas, or other tall growing plants. It is an early and rapid grower, producing its flower and fruit in August. It is in all respects the most beautiful and desirable of the Ricinus family. Every garden should have two or three at least for specimens. Per Packet, 15 cents; 2 packets for 25 cents.



## Cyclotoma Platyphylla.



This is the Great Cyclone plant of the Black Hills, and seed was originally sent us from Red Leaf Camp, Dakota. It is a leafless plant, and a great curiosity. Seed can be sown early in the open ground, and when the plants are young they have leaves, but as they grow older they send out long, wiry stems in every direction, until the whole makes an oval plant as round and regular as a half circle, and cover two or three feet of ground. From the ground to the top this plant is a solid mass of bare stems so numerous and compact that a grasshopper could not go through it. No one would ever undertake to count the stems which compose a plant, but it seems as though there are a million. The plants are green up to about the last of August, at which time they will, in a few days, turn to a deep purplish-black color, and remain so until killed by frost. After the plants are dead the wind will detach them from the ground and blow the great compact mass about sometimes to great distances. This habit of turning purplish-black, and rolling about gives it the name of Cyclone plant. They are very good for a large border, as they grow so compact and evenly, or for single specimens as curiosities. Per Packet, 10 cents; 3 packets, 25 cents.



**Ipomoea, Gracilis.**

A new vine whose grace and beauty captures all at sight. It is a vigorous and rapid, though not a coarse grower, attaining the height of fifteen or twenty feet if given opportunity, and makes a most excellent screen or shade to a window or arbor. The blossoms are light scarlet in color, and borne very profusely on long, slender stems, and thereby lend the plant a charming grace and beauty possessed by no other annual climber. They are one of the best plants for a poor soil or situation, as they seem to bloom as well as in a good one. Per Packet, 15 cents; 3 packets 30 cents.

## Pansy, Yellow Bird

A fine new sort of the Giant Trimardeau type, giving flowers of the very largest size, and bright glossy yellow in color. It is exceedingly showy and will be greatly admired everywhere. Per Packet, 15 cents.





## Dianthus, the Bride.

Though a single flower it is really one of the very finest of all the pink tribe, and the best European Novelty last year. The plant is very dwarf, only about four inches high, compact and bushy, sending up flowers which are three inches across, and of the richest and most pleasing combination of color, namely: pure white, with a large dark crimson centre. This dark centre has also a pink band which shades off into the white. The petals are also finely fimbriated. It is a magnificent pot plant, as well as one of the best garden flowers, and blooms in a very short while from the time of sowing seed. Per Packet, 15 cents.

## Calendula, Whirlpool.

Since the introduction of the charming Meteor all Calendulas have become very popular, both as garden flowers and for cultivating in pots for Fall and Winter blooming in the house. For both of these purposes this new sort must now take the lead, as its flowers are about twice as large as any other (often four inches across), and perfectly double to the centre. The plant is also very dwarf in habit, and produces its enormous blooms very freely, thus making it doubly valuable as a pot plant, and it is really one of the most satisfactory and constant Winter bloomers. After blooming in the garden all Summer they can be potted in September for Fall and early Winter blooming in the window. But to get the best results in this respect sow seed in July, August or September, so as to have fresh, thrifty plants. Per Packet, 20 cents.

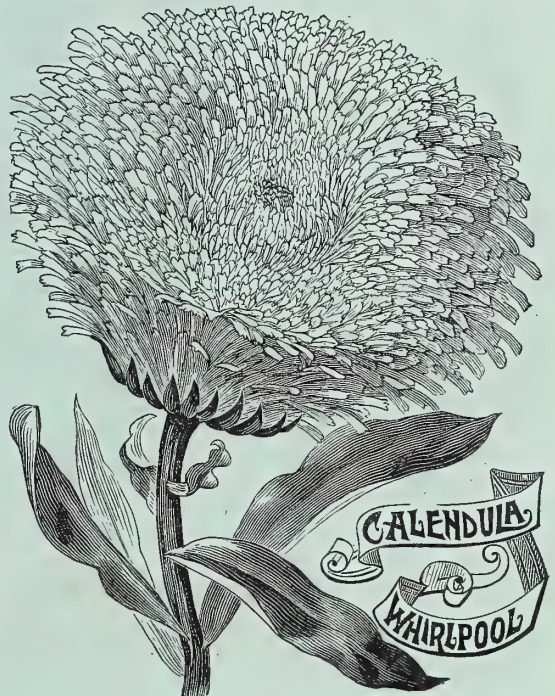
## Petunia, Titinia.

It is difficult to get a good new Petunia for the reason that the flowers vary so. No definite constant color can be fixed among hybrids. In this sort we find one of the best types of a bordered and fringed strain we have ever seen. On some, however, the white border is very narrow, on others very wide, occupying nearly one-half of the flower, while others will show blotches and spots running down into the throat. The flowers are of the very largest size, and in general are a very deep crimson color, even shading to black, with a white border or band all around the flower, the edges of which are beautifully fimbriated, and it is no doubt the most beautiful and pleasing single Petunia in the market. It is magnificent for out-door culture, and also fine for pots, either summer or winter. Per Packet, 20 cents.



### SPECIAL OFFER.

For only \$2.00 we will send one packet each of the foregoing 20 GRAND FLOWER SEED NOVELTIES, which at regular rates amount to \$2.90. It is a superb collection, and will, in itself, make a lovely FLOWER GARDEN.





## RARE NOVELTIES IN VEGETABLES.

THE introduction of Rare Novelties in Vegetables is one of our Specialties, and we offer a list this year which surpasses all previous efforts. With three or four exceptions all the varieties are new this year, and offered only by ourselves. Three or four sorts like Jubilee Tomato, Early Sweet Peanut, and Asparagus Chicory, we introduced last year, and they are so excellent we think them worthy of a place among the Novelties again this year, especially as we were very short of seed last year. Good Vegetables are just as easily grown as poor ones, and one should plant the best varieties that exist. It is our aim to recommend only the most worthy sorts, and those who plant the following will be greatly pleased with all of them. We wish to speak particularly of our Ruby Gold Water-Melon, Great Combination Musk-Melon, Improved Celestial Pepper, Ruby Queen Tomato, Universal Pea, Half Century Lettuce, and Minister Potato.



Childs' Improved Celestial Pepper.



Our agent, in traveling in China some years ago, collected several new vegetables, the most important of which is this superb Pepper, which we christened Childs' Celestial. That it is the finest Pepper and one of the most beautiful plants in existence cannot be denied. We have grown it several years in our Floral Park gardens, and it has attracted great attention. The plant begins to set its Peppers early in the season and continues until frost, branching freely and bearing profusely. The Peppers, up to the time they are fully grown, are of a delicate, creamy yellow color, and when fully grown change to an intense vivid scarlet, making a plant when loaded with fruit part of one color and part of the other, an object of the most striking beauty and oddity. The Peppers are two to three inches long, sharp flavor, and superior for any of the uses to which a Pepper can be put. Since we introduced this beautiful Pepper three years ago, we have carefully selected our stock seed each year from the very finest specimens, both in productiveness and habit of growth, and the strain we offer this year is a great improvement over any previously sold by ourselves or others. It is a magnificent thing for pots, and few plants are more ornamental. It keeps in good growing condition nearly all winter, and the beautifully colored peppers make it a pot plant of the most wonderful beauty. For Christmas and New Year it is superb. Try a few in pots, and you will ever after grow it for ornament. Per Packet, 10 cts.; 3 packets, 25 cts.

Orchard and Garden, for February, 1889, says:—"Childs' Celestial Pepper (heretofore alluded to in these columns), still continues in fruit, and promises to remain so all winter. When kept in a rather warm temperature the plant flowers and fruits in winter almost as well as it does in summer in the open air. The fruit finally turns from scarlet to dark crimson, and really undergoes five changes in color. Altogether it is a pretty "berry plant" for winter use, and we should not be surprised if florists took it up as a pot plant."



Musk-Melon,  
Childs' Great Combination.



Great Combination is an appropriate name for a Melon which combines the largest size, superb quality, fragrance, late ripening and long keeping qualities. In size it will average twice as large as any other Musk-Melon we know, 20 to 30 pounds being its usual weight. It is very thick meated, rich apricot yellow in color and highly fragrant. In quality it is very rich and delicious, being equaled only by Emerald Gem. It is the last of all Musk-Melons to ripen, and comes after all others have gone, which makes it a most important variety. Its keeping qualities are simply marvelous, for when carefully picked in September and stored in a cool place it is not unusual for it to keep a month in perfect condition. It has a splendid uniform shape, and its tremendous size makes it a giant among melons. A most valuable novelty which will be greatly appreciated. Per Packet, 15 cents.

## New Mammoth Podded Lima Bean (pole.)

There are so many new "Bush" Limas coming out that a grand sort like this is likely to be overlooked, yet trials will convince people that a bush Lima, good as it may be in its way, can never take the place of a good pole variety. As a rule a bush sort will not produce one-third the crop of a good pole variety, and is also greatly inferior in size, quality and other respects. This new mammoth podded variety is by far the finest of Limas. It is a great cropper, the enormous pods containing 4, 5 or 6 beans each, which are also very large. Its quality is the best, and if you grow Limas this is the best for you to have above all others. Per Packet, 20 cts.; pint, 75 cts.; quart, \$1.25.



# Childs' Ruby Gold Watermelon.

As our new Japanese Wineberry is a most valuable new fruit, and our Wondrous Weather Plant the greatest of all floral novelties, so is the Ruby Gold Watermelon the greatest and grandest of all new vegetables. Each of these represent something entirely new of great and startling value, and entirely unlike anything else in cultivation or ever dreamed of. It is a great trio, and we nor any other Seedsman will ever again have three such grand and valuable things to put out in one year, to say nothing of our Jewel Dahlia and Mary Washington Rose.

**DESCRIPTION.**—In shape it is long, often two feet or more, and frequently weighs as high as sixty pounds, though its average weight is about forty pounds each. Its flesh is SOLID, PURE GOLDEN YELLOW, VARIEGATED WITH STREAKS, AND LAYERS OF BRIGHT PINK OR RUBY RED, which often appear in a star-shape form. This makes it at once the most beautiful, odd and novel Melon ever seen. It is also as much superior to other Melons in QUALITY as it is in BEAUTY. It has a sweetness and lusciousness which no other Melon possesses, being tender and melts in the mouth like ice cream without a particle of core or stringy substance. It is very juicy, and does not lose its flavor when it becomes over-ripe like most sorts. It is solid to the center, and ripens close to the rind which is very thin. It is a hardy, robust grower, medium early, and sure to give a good crop. Mr. W. A. Smith, the originator who has grown it for several years says: "It is so greatly superior to other Melons that my children will eat no other, and its great beauty when sliced for the table can be better imagined than described; such a lovely blending of pure gold and ruby, encircled by its emerald rind. It is also one of the largest and most prolific Melons grown." Per pkt., 20 cents; 3 pkts. for 50 cents.

## OUR THREE SUPERB "FRUIT" TOMATOES.

These three new tomatoes are great acquisitions, and in every respect much unlike other sorts. For eating fresh or preserving they are equally valuable; nothing can be more luscious, and we earnestly recommend them to all lovers of superb fruit.

### Tomato, True Golden Fig.

The plant grows in the form of a bush, 2 to 2½ feet high, literally covered with rich golden fruit, making it remarkably pleasing and attractive. The beautiful golden yellow fruit is borne in clusters of 8 or 10 perfect tomatoes on one stem. When eighteen inches or two feet high the plant should be staked or trellised to prevent it being broken down with the immense load of fruit. In productiveness we have never seen anything to equal it. With us the past summer 25 plants, set thick and without extra care produced EIGHT BUSHELS OF FRUIT. The beautiful miniature tomatoes are about one inch in diameter, perfectly round and as even in size as if they had all been cast in one mould. The skin and flesh are a rich golden yellow, solid, thick meated, with a flavor similar to other tomatoes, but much sweeter and more palatable. For preserving or pickling they are perfectly delicious, and when canned or dried in sugar, like figs, make excellent pies or tarts for winter use, or for eating dried like figs. It is a superb thing. Per pkt., 15c.; 5 pkts. for 50c.

 **SPECIAL OFFER.**—For only 30 cents we will send one packet each of these three fine tomatoes.

### Tomato, Peach.

This tomato is about the size, color and shape of a large, full ripe peach, and of an entirely different flavor from a tomato, and by most people liked much better. When gathered no one is able to tell what they are by their looks. They are very beautiful and generally taken for some rare or unknown tropical fruit. For picking from the vines and eating out of hand they are liked by most people much better than the finest peaches or oranges. They are simply superb, and those who plant them once will ever after grow them in quantity for table use, either raw, cooked or preserved. Per pkt., 15c.; oz., 60c.

### Tomato German Raisin.

A fine sort, bearing its fruit, which is the size of cherries, in large, grape-like clusters or bunches. In color they are dark red and look exceedingly beautiful and tempting as they hang in great masses among the branches and foliage. They are excellent for canning or preserving and can be dried in sugar like raisins. The green fruit is also excellent for pickling, and the large clusters are very unique when pickled whole. Per pkt., 15c.; 5 pkts. for 50c.

## IMPROVED RUBY SWEET CORN.

The Ruby Corn was first offered two or three years ago, but the strain was so unreliable, so little of it coming true, that it was never generally introduced. After several years of careful cultivation, we are pleased to now be able to offer the IMPROVED RUBY, a strain which has been worked up to a high state of perfection, and is undoubtedly the first Sweet Corn in cultivation, as well as a most beautiful and curious one. The stalks and husks instead of being green, are a dark claret red color, odd and beautiful. The ears are of good size, compactly set with kernels which are of the clearest pearly white color, contrasting with the dark red husks most beautifully. It is very sweet and tender, and of the very finest quality in all respects. Its great beauty and delicious quality will be a surprise to all. Per pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts. for 50c.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**—For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of the five grand vegetables offered above and shown on this colored plate.





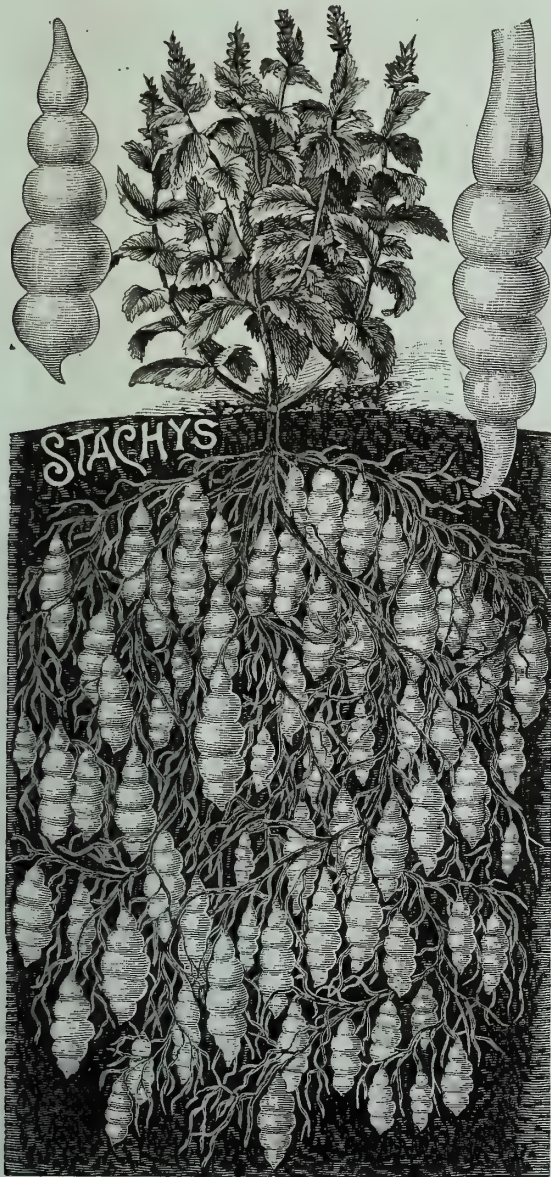
CHILD'S' RUBY GOLD WATERMELON

PEACH TOMATO

RAISIN TOMATO

FIG TOMATO





## Stachys Affinis,

Chinese Artichoke or Vegetable Whitebait.

This new vegetable which we now offer for the second year is attracting wide attention. In England the agricultural and garden papers are praising it extravagantly and it is evident we have not known or appreciated its great value. Cooked like whitebait it is said to be a most excellent substitute for that popular dish. The bulbs are the size and shape as seen in the cut, and taste much like the tuber of an artichoke, and are good cooked in a variety of ways, fried, roasted, baked, etc., but are particularly valuable for stock, owing to their enormous productiveness. They are probably the most valuable feed to raise for swine. With us the past season, planted in ordinary soil, they yielded a bushel of tubers to every ten feet of row. The bulbs are very sweet, tender and nutritious. They are perfectly hardy, and like parsnips or artichokes are best if left in the ground till spring. They are then very sweet and delicious. Price of fine tubers, 15 cts. per dozen; 50 cts. per 100; \$4 per 1,000.



## CALIFORNIA PEPPERGRASS.

### California Peppergrass.

Some years ago we received from a customer a sample of seed which was called California Peppergrass. It was recommended as being extra fine for salads, dressing and garnishing, and unlike anything else known. We find it a very BEAUTIFUL and VALUABLE thing, and unlike anything else of the sort. It seems to be half way between a Cress and a Mustard. Its leaves are long and narrow, deeply lacinated, fimbriated and crinkled, making it one of the prettiest green foliage plants we ever saw. To the taste the leaves are sharp, and have much the flavor of Peppergrass. It is excellent when mixed with Lettuce or other salads to which it imparts a very fine flavor. For garnishing there is nothing more beautiful. It grows very quickly, and to keep up a succession all summer several sowings must be made. We think its flavor much improved if bleached a few days before cutting by covering with boxes or boards. Per Packet, 10 cts.; 3 packets, 25 cts.



PEANUT, EARLY SWEET.

## Peanut, Early Sweet.

This most excellent Peanut is so early it can be grown in any State or in Canada. With us it ripens in August and produces a good crop. The nuts are small, very compact and heavy with thin shell, and of the sweetest and most delicious quality. Greatly superior to the larger and coarser ones. It makes but little top, and plants can stand three to four inches apart in drills. It is a most interesting plant to grow North, where peanut culture is unknown, and will prove a feature of particular interest to the children of the family. A light sandy soil is best adapted to its growth. Per Packet, 10c; quart, 30c.





## Childs' New Cabbage, Bismarck.

This most wonderful Cabbage was produced by cross fertilizing extra fine strains of Drumhead, Flat Dutch, and Large Drumhead Savoy, then by careful selection and saving for several years, a type was established entirely distinct, and, we believe in every respect superior to any other Cabbage in cultivation. It shows the Savoy blood by dark green color and slightly wavy leaves, though not crinkled. It possesses the largest size ever attained in Drumhead or Flat Dutch, and the superb quality of the Savoy. It has a short and VERY SMALL stem, consequently little waste from stem inside—much the least of any large cabbage. It has few surplus or scraggy leaves, neither is it necessary to waste half the head by peeling off a large quantity of leaves before reaching those of eatable quality. It is most remarkable in this respect, for after removing those immediately outside and exposed, you come to ivory white, crisp, tender and delicious leaves, as in the best Savoys. It is very solid and heavy, and of quick growth, and SURE TO HEAD. A year ago we saw a patch of 10,000 heads, and we could not find a failure in the lot, all plants that lived after setting produced a fine head. Per Packet of 100 to 150 seeds, 20 cents; 3 packets, 50 cents.

## Millet, Canary Bird.

This is a plant useful in many ways. First, it is valuable as an ornamental grass, the long heads of rich yellow grain (15 to 20 inches long), being exceedingly graceful and beautiful for large bouquets or vases of dried everlasting flowers, autumn leaves or grasses for winter decoration. Secondly, the seed is a most valuable food for canaries or other birds, and is cheaply raised, a packet of seed producing many pounds, with little or no attention. Thirdly, it is a most valuable grain to raise for stock or fowls, outyielding oats two to one, and is greatly relished by all animals. It is also a valuable fodder plant for feeding green or making hay. The plant grows about three feet high, its long graceful heads of grain being very ornamental for clumps or masses. Sown in May it ripens in August, and can be cut any time after the heads have turned yellow, or they can be left standing for a long time. This plant is destined to be grown universally from Maine to California as soon as its merits are known. Try it for your fowls or birds, and you will ever after grow it abundantly. It gives an enormous yield. Per Packet, 10 cts.; ounce, 40 cents.



ASPARAGUS CHICHORY.

## Asparagus Chichory.

This remarkable vegetable is quite new. It is a wonderful curative for all disorders of the stomach. It produces a large quantity of compact short stems, which, when cut are reproduced time after time. The benefit derived from the consumption of these stems for only a short time, by those having weak digestion, is said to be remarkable. The leaves when boiled make a very wholesome and delicious salad, and the strong shoots when young and tender are cooked and eaten like asparagus. It can be blanched and rendered very tender by simply covering. When fully known this vegetable will prove to be a valuable acquisition to our gardens and vegetable markets, and no garden should be without it. Per Packet 15 cents.





## Childs' Universal Pea

The Finest of All.



This is the first new Pea we have ever introduced as for many years there has been no room for a new sort of ordinary merits, for there are already too many of them. In Childs' Universal we have a new sort destined to become the universal garden favorite the world over. It was originated over 10 years ago, since when it has been carefully selected and grown, until we now have what we believe is the most perfect Pea in cultivation. It combines a dwarf habit with fine quality and enormous productiveness, the three essential features, all in one sort. It can be styled a half-dwarf, not tall enough to require staking, yet branching freely and producing vine enough to give one of the largest crops any Pea can yield. The Peas are of medium size, wrinkled and of exceedingly high flavor. It is medium early, and fine for a succession if sown at intervals of two weeks. For a standard garden sort it must take the lead, being superior to Champion of England in as much that it does not require staking. We intended to introduce this valuable pea last year, but concluded to give it another season and secure an enormous stock that we might offer it this year at a moderate price. Per Packet, 20 cents; pint, 60 cents; per quart, \$1.00.

## New Pole Bean,

"Rosy of Erfurt."

This great German novelty which came out last year has proved to be a wonderful success in this country. It grows strong and rank and produces an enormous crop, being very early and of superb quality. Its principle point of novelty is, however, its great beauty. The long tender pods are a bright, rosy pink color, and as they cover the pole in great clusters they present a sight which attracts every eye. It is a most striking object in any garden. This and the new Mammoth podded Lima offered on page 12 adds to our list two most valuable Pole Beans. Per Packet, 20 cts; 4 packets, 50 cts.







## Two Superb Tomatoes.

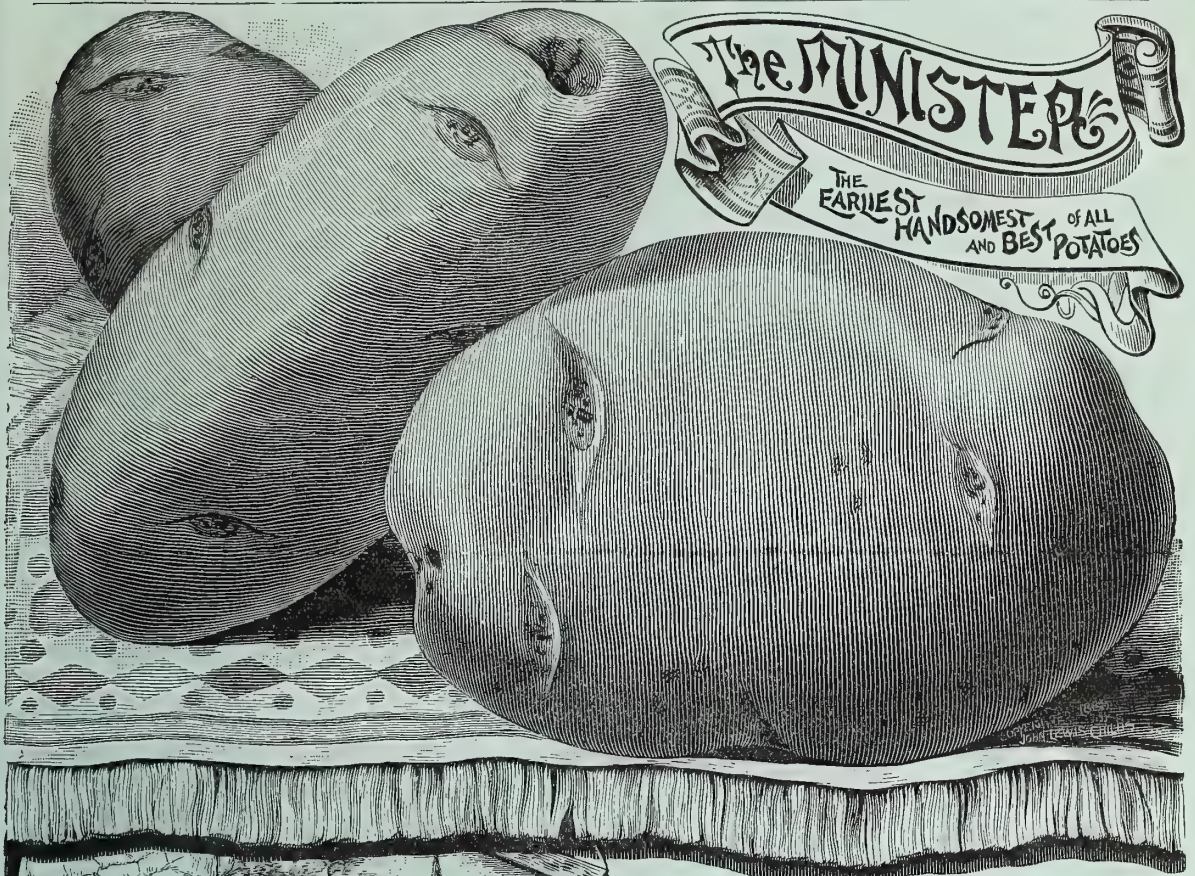
**Childs' Golden Jubilee, (New 1889.)** The seed was first sent us by a customer in Australia, who says that it came up by chance in a corner of his garden, and proved to be the wonder of the town. He sent us all the seed from one fruit which he says weighed over two pounds and was as smooth as an apple, and as handsome as a ball of gold. Thus it has proved—the enormous fruits weighing upwards of two pounds are of the deepest and richest golden color, and borne very abundantly. In shape they are mostly round and more solid and contain less seeds than any other sort we know, notwithstanding its enormous size. Its quality is the richest and best; the only yellow sort we know, of as good quality as the best red ones. Sliced with red ones for table use they make a beautiful dish. The skin will peel from them as readily as though

they were scalded, a feature not found in other tomatoes, and one which will be greatly appreciated by cooks. Per Packet, 20 cents; 3 packets for 50 cents.

**Childs' Ruby Queen, (New 1890.)** A grand tomato of enormous size and as smooth as an apple. Its color is the deepest and darkest crimson red, very rich and beautiful. It is very solid with few seeds, and of the very finest quality. It has a very thin skin, and its flesh throughout is the most tender seen. It has not a particle of coarseness or toughness. It is just the sort you would choose for your own table, above all others. It is much like the Golden Jubilee except in color, and is perhaps rounder and smoother in shape. Packet, 20 cents; 3 packets for 50 cents.

**Special Offer.** For 30 cents we will send one package each of these two finest of all tomatoes.





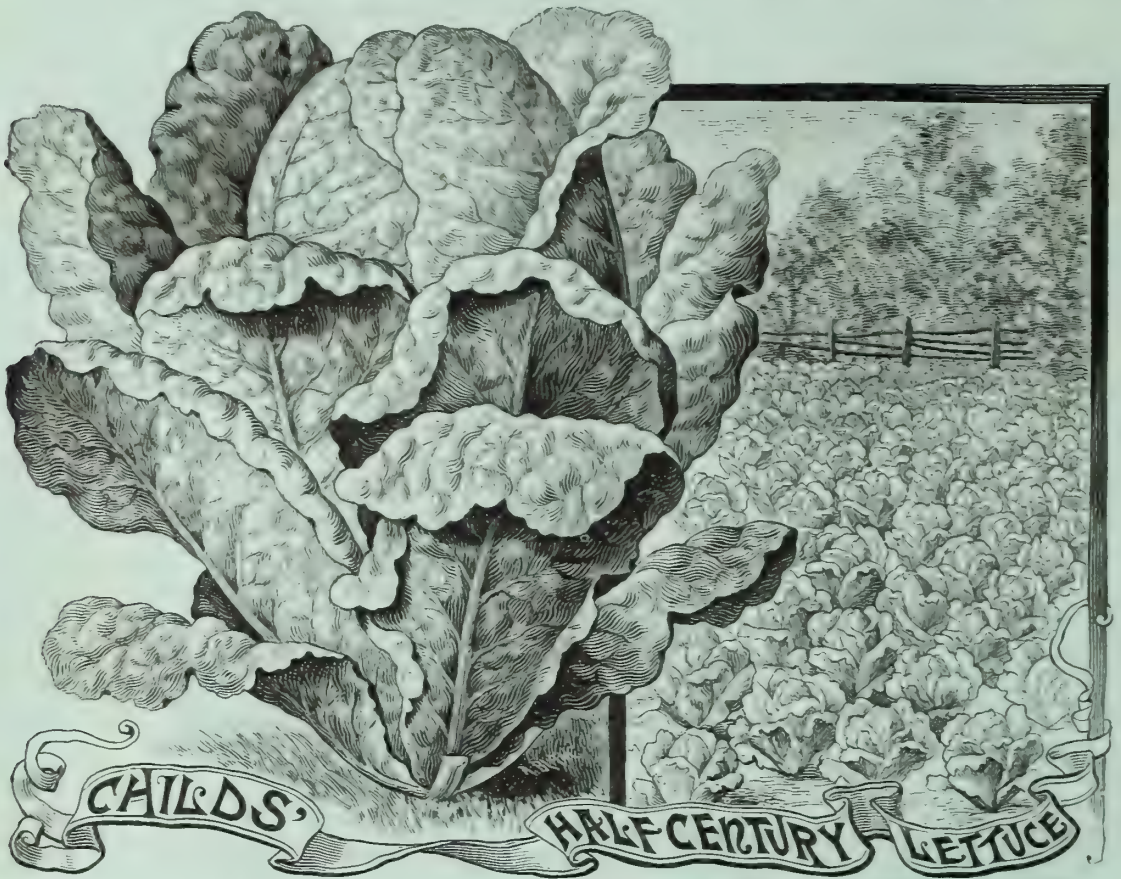
## The Minister Potato.

New 1890.

This is the *earliest* and *finest* of all potatoes. It originated way down in the north-east corner of the state of Maine, where the summer season is so short that corn, and even late potatoes will not ripen. Planted here the 24th of April, they were ready for cooking on the 23d of June, just 60 days, about two weeks earlier than any other sort. Unlike any other potato it does not have to be ripe to be good for cooking, for as soon as it is large enough, it is fine grained, dry and delicious. It is a strong grower and seems to be absolutely rot proof. A decayed specimen has never been seen either in the hill or cellar, even when grown on the richest garden soil. It is wonderfully prolific, the tubers running evenly and of good medium size. Its flavor is the *very best*, fine grained, dry and delicious, while for beauty it far surpasses all other sorts, having a smooth, delicate skin, and lovely pink eyes, which truly indicate the highest quality. Another great point of superiority is its *shape*, it being *flat* as you will see by the cut, thus enabling it to cook *quickly* and *evenly* to the centre. This is a magnificent feature and sure to be appreciated. The Minister is by far the most valuable new potato offered since the Early Rose. Beware of inferior stock; ours is pure and select, as grown by the originator in Maine. Price of fine tubers, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.50; by mail, post-paid. 100 by express for \$7.00.







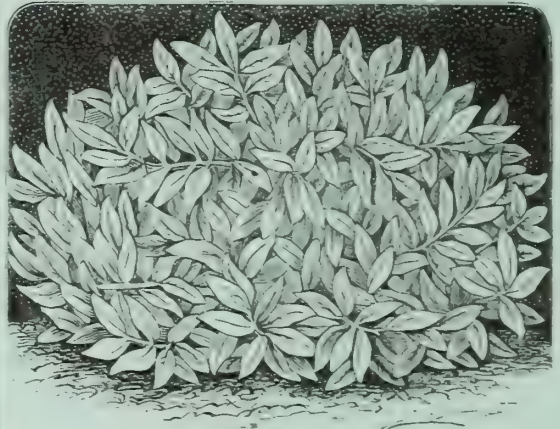
## Childs' Half Century Lettuce.



Several years ago a customer sent us a small quantity of Lettuce seed to test, saying that it had been in his family for fifty years, and was noted for its great superiority over all other known sorts. We were surprised at its delicious quality, and have had it thoroughly tested from here to California, and it has proved to be a novelty of sterling merit. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is nevertheless a fact, that for tenderness, brittleness, and delicious quality, this Lettuce grown in the open ground, surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so brittle and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling if care is not used. Fifty years is a long time to cultivate, select and improve any vegetable, but it has surely accomplished much in this Lettuce. It is a quick grower, and attains its full size in 40 to 50 days, and remains in fine condition for a very long time. Per Pkt., 20 cents; per oz., 50 cents.

### SPECIAL OFFER.

For only \$2 we will send one package each of the following 18 Grand Vegetable Novelties. At regular rates they amount to \$2.90: Half Century Lettuce, the two Tomatoes, Universal Pea, Rosy of Erfurt and Mammoth Podded Lima Beans, Bismarck Cabbage, Chichory, Millet, California Peppergrass, Improved Celestial Pepper, Early Sweet Peanut, Great Combination Musk Melon, and the three Fruit Tomatoes, Ruby Corn and Ruby Gold Melon offered on Colored Plate. It is a superb collection of Choice Vegetables for any garden.



MAMMOTH SAGE.

## Mammoth Sage.

A single plant of this Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower covering a space of more than three feet in diameter. It rarely flowers and never runs to seed and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Fine plants, 15 cents each; 3 for 30 cents; 6 for 50 cents.



# Grand Specialties and Novelties in Plants and Bulbs.

**U**NDER this head we offer articles which on account of their special merits or novelty we deem worthy of more than ordinary notice. The most special features of this department this year, to which we invite your careful attention, are the Manettia and Solanum offered on colored plate, Floral Park Jewel Dahlia, new Cycas, Canna Childi, Fuchsia-flowered Honeysuckle, Sanseveria, Hardy Orange, Candicans Cactus, new Gladiolus and Cyclamen. We hope you will also notice the beautiful Otabeite Orange, a superb pot plant on page 34. We have a magnificent stock of thrifty well rooted plants ready to bloom and fruit the coming summer. Most of these specialties are offered at low prices, especially when taken in quantity. We do this to encourage club orders. Everyone should have them, and anyone—even a child—can in a short time secure a good club, and thus get their own supply at small cost.

## Dahlia, Childs' Floral Park Jewel,

**Awarded the Bronze Medal at the American Institute Fair.**

The most valuable and beautiful Dahlia in cultivation, and a Novelty which will take the world by storm. Flowers of many colors from deep maroon to bluish-white, including beautiful spotted in variegated forms, are borne in great profusion on the same plant at the same time. In fact, a plant will hardly ever produce two flowers alike. Blush-white, crimson-maroon, white suffused with maroon, maroon suffused with white, crimson-red, purple spotted, marked, or marbled with white, white spotted marbled and striped with maroon, pink or crimson, or several colors suffused in an odd and irregular way. Often one-half of the flower will be white, and the other half maroon, or the centre white, while the outer half will be deep crimson-maroon and vice versa. The exceeding beauty of a plant loaded with flowers, and each one of a different color, can be better imagined than described. The blossoms are very large, perfectly double to the centre, and of perfect form, and we believe it is the most profuse bloomer of any Dahlia, commencing very early in the season and continuing until frost without once ceasing. To add to its beauty the flowers are borne on long, graceful stems, supported by a stout, vigorous growth. Few Novelties will be sent out this year which will prove so universally satisfactory as this. In the way of a Dahlia it is as important a Novelty as our great Wineberry is among fruits. Fine roots, 60c. each; 2 for \$1; 5 for \$2.

**White Dove**, another grand new Dahlia, which makes a compact bushy plant, bearing large, double snow-white flowers of perfect form. The flowers are borne on slender stems from two to three feet long, and thereby stand away from the plants so far that they appear as though they were floating in the air, hence its name. It is the most beautiful White Dahlia in cultivation. 50 cents; 3 for \$1.

**Livonia**, another most charming new Dahlia, similar to White Dove in all respects, except its stems are not quite so long, and its color is a soft, sweet sea-shell pink. 50 cts. each; 3 for \$1.

**Special Offer.** Nothing can be more lovely than the above three new Dahlias, as they are the best varieties in cultivation. We will send one of each for \$1.25.

**CHILDS'  
FLORAL PARK  
JEWEL"  
DAHLIA**







Few recent introductions have been so important as the new Flowering Cannas. Cannas have long been extensively grown for the beauty of their foliage, but now that we can add to this flowers of striking beauty and brilliancy, equalling even the Gladiolus, it gives us a plant which is of the greatest value, either for single specimens or for bedding. Our new one, Childsi, is the most beautiful Canna ever sold.

**Childsi** (The Tiger Canna). A seedling raised by us two years ago, from Cozy's Prize Seed. It is of a rather dwarf habit, shorter than either Ehemanni or Noutoni. Its foliage is rank and of a light green shade. The plants begin to produce flowers when only two feet high and continue blooming very freely till frost. It can also be flowered in pots during winter and is very beautiful. The flowers are borne in large compact panicles, are of large size and perfect shape, with broad petals, and of a bright glossy yellow color, thickly spotted with crimson. The most strikingly beautiful of all Cannas. \$1.00 each.

**Ehemanni**. As an ornamental foliage plant it is unsurpassed, and also as a blooming plant it is one of the grandest. Plants grow five to seven feet high, producing large racemes of bell or trumpet-shaped flowers, four or five inches long, drooping like a Fuchsia, which are of the most lovely brilliant rosy-pink color. As a specimen plant for grandeur and beauty it stands without a rival. It grows as freely as the common Cannas, and commences to bloom much earlier, and is an object of great beauty until frost, the foliage closely resembling that of a large, luxuriant Banana. Price, 60 cents each; two for \$1.00.

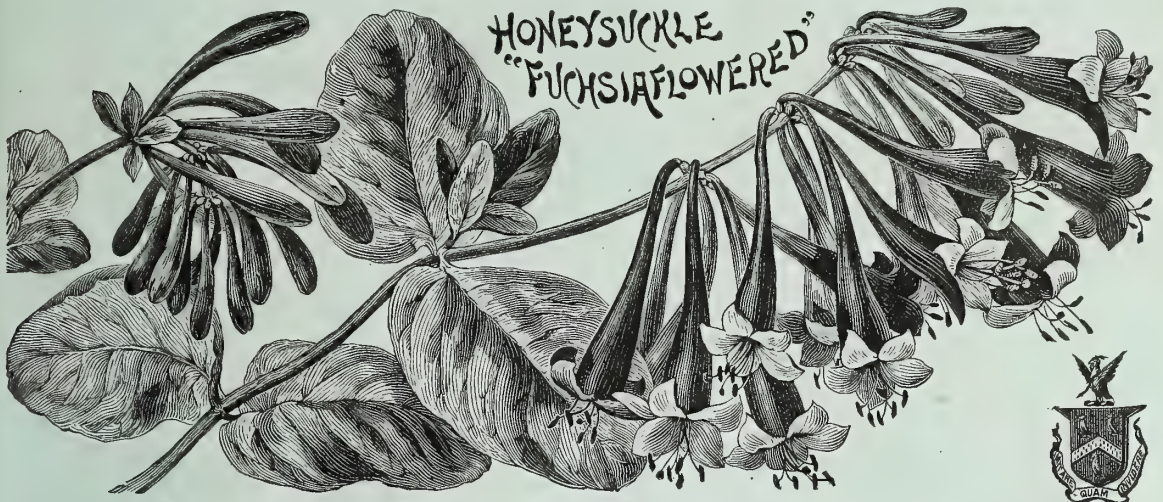
**Noutoni**, (Giant-Cardinal flowered), a new sort of great beauty, having gigantic spikes of large cardinal-colored flowers, which are exceedingly brilliant and striking, reminding one of the blooms of the cardinal flower on a gigantic scale. It blooms much more freely than Ehemanni, and is in fact, never without a good spike of flowers, which show to great advantage and can be seen for a long distance. 35 cents each; four for \$1.00.

**Flaccida** (the Orchid Canna), a dwarf Canna, growing but 2 to 3 feet high, with large, elegant light green leaves, which are very beautiful. The flowers are lovely deep canary yellow of very large size and closely resemble some of the finest Orchids. It is a grand sort for bordering a bed of other varieties. 25 cents each; five for \$1.00.

**Special Offer.**—For only \$1.50 we will send one plant each of the four sorts.

**SEED.** We can supply seed of Cozy's choicest strain of new Flowering Cannas. Started under glass and planted out by the first of June, they will soon commence blooming and continue till frost. They are of all colors, hardly any two alike, and all very fine. Per packet, 50 cents.





## FUCHSIA-FLOWERED HONEYSUCKLE.

A NEW PERPETUAL-FLOWERING, WEEPING HONEYSUCKLE.

But very few new things will be offered this year which will prove more desirable than this lovely Honeysuckle. Its flowers are long and trumpet-shaped, beautiful coral red, borne in large clusters and drooping like a Fuchsia. It is a strong, rapid grower, with beautiful leaves and numerous branches which trail and droop in a charming wavy manner. It is loaded with bloom during the *entire summer and fall*, and is the *very finest* perpetual blooming hardy climber. Every lover of rare and beautiful flowers should possess one of these most lovely vines. The plants we sell will bloom freely the first season. 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00.

### Two Other Fine Honeysuckles.

**Halliana**, a new white monthly Honeysuckle. It is ever-green, retaining its freshness during the entire winter; flowers pure white, turning to pale yellow, with the fragrance of the Cape Jessamine; hardy, vigorous grower; a constant bloomer; this is one of the most valuable of the late introductions. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**Golden-Leaved**, a most beautiful variety, the leaves being variegated with golden yellow and green, making it one of the finest of all ornamental foliage plants. It is a large and rapid grower and will soon cover the side of a house. Flowers yellow and fragrant. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**Special Offer.**—For 60 cts. we will send a nice plant of each of the above three lovely Honeysuckles.

### Agave Variegata.

or Century Plant.



AGAVE VARIEGATA.

larger specimens by express at \$1.00 each. We can also supply the common Century Plant at 35 cents each.

The variegated Agave or Century Plant is not often seen. It grows to a large size and makes one of the most ornamental plants for the lawn or veranda during summer. In the winter it can be kept in a cellar or any place away from severe freezing. Fall frosts do not hurt it and it can be left out till late in November. It has long, thick leaves, which are green, with wide borders of yellow. It is a fine thing to grow with a collection of Cacti and other rare plants. It will never die with the roughest kind of treatment, and when once had will increase in size and beauty each year. 50 cts. each; or we can send



BRYOPHYLLUM CALYCINUM.

### Bryophyllum Calycinum.

A most curious and beautiful succulent plant, with thick, heavy leaves, which, if cut and laid on moist soil or sand, little plants will grow from the notches all around the leaf. They grow very quick to a considerable size and make a healthy and beautiful looking plant. The flowers are yellowish red in panicles and resemble a bunch of berries, appearing usually in April. A very rare and interesting plant which is sure to greatly please all who possess it. 30 cents each, 4 for \$1.00.



## IMPROVED CYCLAMEN.

Few pot plants are so desirable as *Cyclamen Persicum* and *Giganteum*, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be, considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flower will be spotted and marked, or in other ways showing two distinct colors. The foliage is also very beautiful, being variegated with different shades of green, and helps to show off the flowers which rise above it to a remarkable degree. In fact, a plant in bloom always looks like a tastily arranged vase of flowers and foliage. *Cyclamen* are very easily raised, either from seed or bulbs. To get a good lot cheap it is better to sow seed. Spring is the best time to do this, using rich soil freely mixed with sand or coal ashes to make it light and porous. Transplant when large enough, but do not cover the little bulb with soil. Keep them growing in a cool, shady place over summer, and by winter they will commence blooming. After blooming all winter bulbs should be allowed to rest over summer in a dry state like *Callas*.



**Persicum**, we offer an improved strain of this, which is very fine. Seed 20 cts. per pkt. Strong growing bulbs, 25 cents each; \$2.00 per dozen. All colors mixed.

**Giganteum**, a new large flowering form of *Persicum*, which is very scarce and truly magnificent. Seed 40 cts. per pkt.; strong plants, 50 cts. each.

**Europeum**, a fine sort, with dark red flowers, which can be treated like a summer flowering bulb as it blooms from Aug. to Oct. Seed 10 cts. per pkt.; bulbs, 15 cts. each.

**Hedderiaefolium**, another fine summer flowering sort, which produces its red and white blossoms by the score. Very fine. Seed 10 cts. per pkt.; strong bulbs, 20 cts. each.





## The Trifoliate Orange.

(CITRUS TRIFOLIATA.) A NEW HARDY ORANGE.

This is the most hardy of the Orange family, and will stand our northern climate with little or no protection, and is also desirable for pot culture. In the parks of both New York and Philadelphia it is growing luxuriantly, and blooming and fruiting profusely. Think of it friends, you can have an Orange tree growing, blooming and fruiting on your lawn or yard. It is dwarf, of a low, symmetrical growth, with beau-

tiful trifoliate, glossy green leaves, and abundance of large, white, sweet-scented blossoms, larger and finer than any other variety of Orange blossoms, and borne almost continually. The fruit is small, bright orange-red in color, having a peculiar flavor. The fine appearance of the plant, with its constant habit of blooming, and showy fruit, combine to make a plant of peculiar value and beauty. It is a conspicuous and attractive object in any shrubbery or pleasure ground, pot or tub. Here at Floral Park it is growing magnificently in the open ground, and it is best suited for open ground culture, as it is deciduous and

drops its leaves in the Fall, and cannot be induced to make much growth in Winter even in a greenhouse, though it will not drop its leaves if kept from frost. It blooms very profusely in Spring and early Summer, but after the fruit begins to form blossoms are not plentiful. Our cut represents a young tree about four feet high as it appears when in bloom and when in fruit, but the flowers and fruit do not appear together to the extent there shown. The fragrance produced by a tree in bloom can be appreciated only by those who are familiar with the delicious perfume of the Orange blossom. We predict for this tree a great future. Strong, young, thrifty trees, 35 cents; 6 for \$1.75.





LILY OF THE VALLEY IN WINTER.

## Lily of the Valley.

FOR WINTER OR SPRING BLOOMING.

They can be potted at any time during the Winter or Spring and will bloom at once.

Here we offer strong imported pips of this lovely flower which have been grown especially for winter blooming. They can be potted, six in a 4-inch pot, and placed in a cool place till needed for blooming, then bring them out to the light and warmth and give plenty of water. They will at once send up their beautiful green leaves and sprays of lovely white, sweet scented blossoms. Like other bulbs the flowers are much larger and finer when raised in the house than in the garden. The pips are ready to send out at any time during the winter for immediate blooming. 50 cents per dozen; 30 for \$1.



RESURRECTION PLANT.

## Resurrection Plant.

A great curiosity from Mexico. The plants, when dry, roll up into a ball, and can be laid away and kept in that state for months or years, to all appearances perfectly dead; but when placed in a saucer or vase of water, they, in a few moments, unfold, become green and beautiful, and make a very pretty plant as long as they are kept moist. 10 cents each.

## New Yellow Calla.

The flowers of this are like the ordinary Calla, except they are a deep brilliant golden yellow color. We first had it several years ago, but stock is so scarce that for three years we could not obtain one in Europe at any price. This year we have succeeded in getting several hundred strong bulbs, which we can offer at \$2 each.



YELLOW CALLA.

**Ethiopica**, the common Calla, of which we have some magnificent large bulbs in the best condition for winter blooming. 25c.

**Compacta**, a new dwarf compact form which does not grow very high, but produces large sized flowers in great number all the year round, for it blooms as freely in summer as it does in the winter. As it is not such a tall grower it makes a much better pot plant than the old Calla. Extra fine, 50c.

**Spotted Calla**, for full description see page 81. 20 cts. each.

**Special Offer.** For \$2.50 we will send one each of the 4 Callas

## Grinum Ornatum.

This is the grandest and rarest of the Amaryllis family, and is offered in our Lily Book at \$25 each. It produces an enormous bulb which send up tall spikes on which are found large clusters of the most lovely lily-like blossoms, delicate blush, banded with soft pink. Its loveliness cannot be described, but those who see it will be pleased with it at most any price. Having recently secured a very large stock we can offer it at the extremely low price of \$3 each.

## Nepeta Glechoma.

A new trailing plant of the Catnip family, with beautiful white and green leaves. The leaves also have a refreshing fragrance. It will no doubt become one of our most useful plants for festooning work, such as drooping from hanging baskets, vases, fancy pots, etc., its graceful, rapid growth rendering it unequalled for this purpose, while we have no doubt it will also be largely used in cemeteries to cover the graves, as it is entirely hardy and we think more ornamental than almost anything in use for that purpose at present. For massing in the garden or on the lawn, to trail over stones or stumps or in fact for any sort of decoration it is splendid. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.



NEPETA.

## Kleinia Articulata.

This is also an odd and desirable succulent plant. The stems are round and fleshy, and from one-half to one-inch thick, and covered with a slight growth of small heart-shaped leaves. It is one of those odd and curious plants known to botanists, but which are very seldom seen in cultivation, but which are always novel and attractive. 35 cents each.

## The Sword Fern.

A magnificent sort with beautiful fronds, often four to five feet in length, a hardy robust grower, and valuable for pots, baskets, vases, or the garden. 25 cents each.





NEW DOUBLE GERANIUM "JUPITER."

## OUR "STAR" COLLECTION

—OF—

### 5 Magnificent New Geraniums.

**WE** have to offer this year four magnificent new Geraniums of our own raising. New Geraniums are so numerous that we would not attempt to offer these if they did not possess unusual merit. They are in fact the finest sorts of their color, and can truly be called "Stars" among Geraniums. Their growth is neat and compact and they bloom most profusely at all times, and the size of the flower and truss is probably the largest to be found among Geraniums. They are superb either for pot culture or bedding. Price, 25 cents each; or the 5 for \$1.

**Jupiter**, enormous double flower of the richest dark vermilion.

**Mars**, large, double flower, glowing amaranth scarlet, rayed with intense violet scarlet, and orange yellow center.

**Venus**, beautiful large single flower of perfect shape, and light orange scarlet color. The finest single Geranium in existence, either for bedding or pots.

**Saturn**, a beautiful large single flower exactly the color of Mars. A free grower and great bloomer, making a grand sort for bedding.

**Reumberta**, though this fine sort does not properly belong to the "Star" collection, we add it on account of its rare color and beauty. It is a large double flower borne profusely in immense trusses, its color being a light yellowish orange scarlet, the nearest approach to a pure yellow yet seen in Geraniums.

## Sanseveria Zealanica.



SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

A beautiful plant, splendidly adapted for the decoration of drawing-rooms and halls, as it stands drought and dust with impunity, and requires scarcely any water. The leaves, as shown in cut, grow to a length of three to four feet, and are beautifully striped crosswise, with broad white variegations on a dark green ground. It is a rare and beautiful plant which should be abundantly grown for positions out of the reach of sunlight, where other plants will not thrive. When you consider that it can be placed in any position in any room and do well its great usefulness is at once apparent. It has a singular beauty for decorative purposes which other plants do not possess, and is useful both winter and summer. For vases and baskets it is a fine center piece, and grows splendidly out of doors during summer. Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.







## Childs' New Hardy Carnations.

These were offered last year for the first time, and rank with the most valuable new things we ever introduced. Their characteristics are hardness, great size, and profusion of bloom, and exquisite colors and markings. Planted out of doors in the spring they use the summer to good advantage by making a strong bushy growth. They stand the snow and ice, and blizzards of winter in the open ground, and are ready when spring comes to throw up their scores of strong flower stems, and for a period of two months or more give such a profusion of glorious bloom as one never dreamed of. Another way of treating them is to grow them in pots, or pot them in the fall from the open ground, and set them in a cellar or pit until February or March, and then bring them up to bloom in the window or conservatory, and such blooms as they will produce! I venture to say that there is hardly a flowering plant in cultivation that will equal them. Their enormous flowers of perfect shape are of the most brilliant and delicate colors—colors, markings and variegations never seen in other carnations, and their flowers are produced in endless number. We offer both plants and seeds:

**PLANTS.** Of these glorious carnations we have named ten of the most perfect varieties in honor of the ten States in which we have for several years had the most customers.

**Massachusetts,** delicate blush, spotted and flaked bright violet crimson. 25 cents each.

**New York,** light scarlet, marked crimson and black, very large and perfect. 30 cents each.

**Pennsylvania,** a peculiar shade of glossy slate blue, a most odd and novel color. 75 cents each.

**Ohio,** darkest crimson black; splendid. 50 cents each.

**Illinois,** dark rose, finely flaked and specked with dark crimson velvet; extra large and perfect flower. 20 cents each.

**Iowa,** buff, flaked and striped scarlet and violet. 50 cts. each.

**California,** bright straw yellow, flaked and penciled with bright scarlet and white; extra fine. 75 cents each.

**Texas,** flower of enormous size, very double, bright magenta red. 30 cents each.

**Michigan,** blush striped with bright rose and violet blue; a very free bloomer and extra fine. 25 cents each.

**Kansas,** shining silvery white, flaked and striped bright magenta purple. 25 cents each.

**Unnamed Sorts Mixed,** we have a mixed lot of elegant sorts which have been saved for naming, and which are in most cases as good as the above. They present a wide range of charming colors. Price of these mixed sorts, 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.

**SEED.** These charming Carnations are as easily raised from seed as a Dianthus, and while some of the plants thus produced will be inferior, the most of them will be large and double and of magnificent colors. From every packet of seed several plants can be grown which will be fully as desirable as the above named sorts. I do not hesitate to say it is the finest carnation seed ever offered. It has been grown especially for us by the florist in Germany who originated this grand hardy strain, and every seed is saved from select blooms of the finest sorts, and are from select pot-grown plants. They will produce an endless variety of colors from crimson black to white, rose, pink, scarlet, orange, lemon, yellow, steel blue, brown, besides flaked, striped and variegated ones. Sow seed at any time from February to June in light sandy rich soil. Pot off when large enough and plant in the open ground at any time. They will bloom profusely the following spring: fully as soon as the above offered plants. Price packet of 20 seeds, 25 cents; 5 packets for \$1.



GASTERIA.

## Gasteria Maculata.

A succulent plant closely allied to the Aloe, and one of much beauty. The thick dark leaves are variegated with white spots. The flowers are borne in racemes a foot long, and are bright scarlet in color, and always appear in the winter. It is a very curious and rare plant, and one that will give great satisfaction. 50 cents each.



## Rose of Jericho.

A new Resurrection Plant from the Holy Land. This curious and rare plant we have long made vain efforts to secure, and have only just succeeded in getting one thousand good specimens. It is entirely different from our Mexican Resurrection Plant, as it is hard wooded and grows in the form of a little bush. When dry the branches fold up into a mass or ball, but when placed in water they soon unfold and in 10 or 20 days green leaves will start out and growth commence. Without seeing it, one could hardly believe these dry dead branches could send out green leaves and shoots. All that is necessary to produce growth is to keep the plant standing in a glass of water about half way to the top of its branches. It is a native of the border of the Dead Sea, where it grows and blooms freely. 30 cents each.



## Zamia.

A rare and beautiful Palm, producing a short stump or bulb much the shape of a turnip. From the top of this stump long graceful dark green leaves shoot out to the length of two or three feet. It is a superb thing for window or mantle decoration, as it will grow freely without sunlight. Its great beauty makes it very valuable and much sought after, and good specimens often sell at city florists stores for \$10 to \$20 each. We have never seen it offered in Europe less than \$4 each. We have been fortunate enough to secure a very large stock of beautiful young bulbs which we can offer remarkably low, much lower, it is safe to say than you will ever again be able to buy it. It is one of the rarest and most beautiful plants any one can add to their collection. 50c. each; 3 for \$1.

## Double Dwarf Nasturtium.

An elegant pot plant is this new double dark crimson dwarf Nasturtium. It blooms freely both winter and summer, its flowers being very large and perfectly double. It will please you very much and attract great attention. 25 cents each.



# MOONFLOWERS.

The Moonflowers are quite a new class of climbers, and are creating a great sensation. They are the largest of all vines, growing with an astonishing rapidity, and producing thousands of flowers of the most striking novelty and beauty. They are suitable for trellises, arbors, fences, verandas, sides of buildings, trees, &c. No climber grows so rapidly or will cover such a large space in a season. A fair sized plant will produce from thirty to one hundred of their large blossoms every evening. The flowers open about five o'clock in the afternoon and close about eleven o'clock the next day. They surprise every one who plants them, and are a center of attraction in any neighborhood. Plant in good rich soil, and fully exposed to the sun if possible. Do not put the plants out too early for they will not grow until settled warm weather sets in. Seed should be started in April or earlier.



A WIGWAM OF MOONFLOWERS AT FLORAL PARK.

***Ipomœa Noctiphiton***, (Common Moonflower, or Evening Glory), flowers pure white, four to five inches in diameter. Very rapid grower and free bloomer. 20 cents each; \$2 per dozen. Seed, 15 cents per packet.

***Ipomœa Childs***, (the Giant Moonflower); this is entirely distinct from all others, having flowers and foliage twice the size, and twice as strong and rapid in growth. Flowers pure white, with very long tubes, and expanding to the width of eight inches. We have measured leaves that were 8½x11 inches. Its rapidity of growth is marvelous. Judging from our vines, we feel justified in saying that a strong shoot, with nothing to retard it, will grow one hundred feet in thirty days. The effect of this plant covering a tree or building with its luxuriant foliage and gigantic flowers is charming. It grows very finely and quickly from seed. Strong plants, 50c. each. Seed, 25c. per pkt.

***Ipomœa Leare***, (the Blue Moonflower), this is a grand companion for the white variety. It is similar in all respects, except the color, which is a lovely satin blue with crimson bars. When grown with the white one the contrast is striking, and the effect grand. 25 cts. each. Seed, 20 cts. per packet.

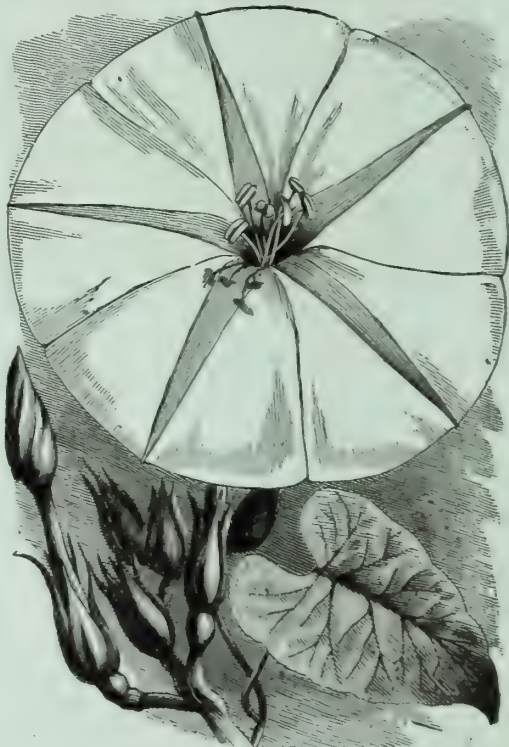
***Ipomœa Aurea***, (the Golden Moonflower), a magnificent sort with smaller growth and flowers than the others, but the blossoms are a bright golden yellow color and extremely beautiful, especially when grown in contrast with the others. The flowers remain open all day. 30 cts. each. Seed, 20 cents per packet.

***Ipomœa Mexicana***, (the Satin or Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower), this is unlike all the others, as it blooms during the day time, and has a strong tuberous root like a Dahlia, which can be wintered in a cellar. Its leaves are also beautifully divided. The flowers are of a violet-crimson color, and look like a piece of rich satin. It is very rapid in growth, the tubers giving it an early and strong start, which makes its season of usefulness the longest of any climber of its class. This sort has no seed. 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.



IPOMÆA MEXICANA.

**Special Offer.**—For \$1.25 we will send one plant each of the five grand Moonflowers; three plants of each for \$3.25. One packet of Seed each, of all except Mexicana, 60 cents.



IPOMÆA NOCTIPHITON.





BRUGMANSIA ARBOREA.

# BRUGMANSIA ARBOREA.

(Giant Ghost Flower, Angels Trumpet, or Wedding Bell.)

**T**HIS plant which we introduced into general cultivation last year is one whose merits will in due time place it in every collection of plants in the country. It is one of those plants of which words fail to convey a true idea of its magnificence, and people who see it for the first time are bound to be delighted far beyond their expectations. It is a hard wooded plant like an Oleander, growing three to four feet high and branching. It blooms at all times of the year, in a window or conservatory, or it can be cultivated in the garden during summer and wintered in a cellar or pit. The flowers are drooping, bell shaped, over a foot long and eight or nine inches wide, of a creamy white color and very sweet. The striking beauty of a plant bearing a dozen or more of those gigantic flowers cannot be described. They must be seen to be appreciated. They bloom very freely and it is not uncommon for a plant to have 20 or 30 blossoms open at once. They make magnificent lawn plants when plunged in the ground during summer, and the great fragrance of the blossoms can be detected for a long distance. It can be relied upon for a profusion of flowers at Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's. For church decoration at Easter, or other times, it has no superior. It is a very rapid grower and thrives under all conditions. We do not know of a plant requiring less care and attention than this. It is absolutely sure to thrive and bloom freely, even when small. Plants small enough to go by mail make a very rapid growth and will bloom in a short time. Price of fine plants by mail, postpaid, 40 cents each; 3 for \$1. Extra large, by express, \$1 and \$3 each.

**Double Flowered**, we have secured a limited stock of a double flowered sort, which produces one flower growing out of the other. It is like the single in all other respects. It is grand. Strong plants, 60 cents each; 2 for \$1.

**SEED.** We can supply seed of the single Brugmansia at 25 cents per packet. It germinates quick and makes a rapid growth blooming in about a year.





## New Altheas,

OR

## Tree Hollyhocks.

The New Altheas, or "Tree Hollyhocks," are among the most desirable hardy shrubs, and when once planted are good for a lifetime. They are perfectly hardy in any climate or situation, commence blooming when very small, and grow to the size of a lilac bush, branching freely and producing from July until frost great quantities of large double blossoms, as showy as the finest perennial Hollyhocks. For planting on the lawn or against fences, or grouping with other shrubbery they are just elegant, and as we said before, good for a lifetime, growing larger and larger each year. In France they are the most popular hardy shrub, especially for cemetery planting, for which purpose they are unsurpassed by any other tree or shrub.

**Double White**, 50c each.

" **Red**, 50c "

" **Rose**, 50c "

" **Varig'd** 50c "

**Double**, many different colors mixed, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00.

**Single**, all colors mixed, very large and showy, 20c each; 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00.

## Syringa Japonica.

The new Japanese Tree Lilac. We are fortunate in having to offer at a low price a few thousand one year seedling trees of this rare Japanese Tree Lilac. The first specimens that ever bloomed in this country are growing in Boston. It forms a large tree twenty-five or more feet in height, and branching like a Maple. In June it produces enormous racemes of white flowers exactly like a Lilac in all respects except their enormous size. The clusters of bloom being never less than 2 feet in length. One can easily imagine the grand effect produced by such a tree in bloom. It is perfectly hardy in all localities. 30 cts. each; four for \$1.00.



New Gladiolus

## "Snow White."

All that need be said about this grand novelty is that it is absolutely pure snow white, the only pure white Gladiolus in existence. It also has large, well-open flowers, and an enormous spike of the most perfect and beautiful shape. It is the most valuable variety in cultivation, and every lover of rare flowers must have it. Large bulbs 50 cents each; 3 for \$1.00.

### Three Other Grand New Gladiolus.

**Hesperide.** Large spike, with large, well-open flowers. Beautiful soft pale pink, freely striped and marked with bright magenta pink. 30 cents each.

**Lysander.** Darkest crimson black, with a pure white blotch in the throat. The darkest, and one of the very finest colors in Gladiolus. Large flower and spike. Grand. \$1.00 each.

**Ball of Fire.** Enormous spike of the most beautiful shape, large, well-open flowers, bright intense scarlet, specked with purplish black. The brightest and finest of all scarlet Gladiolus. 50 cts. each.

**Special Offer.** For only \$1.25 we will send one large bulb each of above four grand sorts. To these we will also add gratis a bulb of "Golden Sceptre," making five sorts, representing the five finest Gladiolus known of the five leading colors—white, pink, crimson-black, scarlet and yellow.



FLOWERS  $\frac{1}{2}$  NATURAL SIZE  
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## Cycas.

Here we offer our customers a rare bargain in a new dwarf form of the famous Cycas, which always sells at from \$5 to \$100 each, according to size. We never saw one catalogued for less than \$5, and they are in great demand even at that price. It is a fern-like variety of Palm with elegant leaves, several feet in length, which grow from the crown of its large, unique bulb-like trunk. This bulb or trunk is covered with a fine, silky, dark brown wool, and is very odd and attractive. It will live for ages, growing larger and more valuable each year, and will prove an object which will adorn the most choice and costly collection of plants. It can be wintered in the cellar and used only for summer decoration on the lawn or veranda, or it can be kept in a green-house or window all the year round, or you can cut off its leaves and lay it away like a stick, perfectly dry for months, and when planted it will put out fresh leaves and continue its growth. We have secured more than 10,000 of this rare plant, and can offer fine healthy bulbs at the extremely low price of 40 cents each; 3 for \$1. Do not miss this opportunity.

## Euphorbia Splendens.

Often called "Crown of Thorns," as the thorny crown which encircled the head of our Saviour was made (it is supposed) from this plant. The two specimens from which our stock was grown came from China, and were beautifully trained on wire frames, and are highly ornamental, especially when in bloom. It is a curious and rare plant, worthy of general cultivation. 30 cts. each.

## Inoposidium, (Diamond Flower.)

We believe we are the first to offer in this country the charming Portuguese Diamond Flower, and which has been selling at such enormous prices in some parts of Europe. It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty until long after frost. No plant will grow and bloom so quickly from seed as this, and it is truly a diamond among flowers. Per Packet, 15 cents.



## Primula Obconica.

A most valuable new species, being a strong vigorous grower and in bloom every day in the year. It is particularly a free bloomer in winter, producing large clusters of white flowers, and often more than fifty of them appear on a plant at once. A plant is, in fact, a perfect mass of bloom all winter. Strong plants, for immediate blooming, 30 cents each.

## Linum Trygnum.

A new winter blooming plant of great beauty, producing in the greatest profusion very large and very showy blossoms of a bright yellow color. When known this is bound to be a favorite with all lovers of flowers. 25 cents each.

## Ampelopsis Englemanni.

This is a new giant form of Ampelopsis Veitchi. It is a strong rapid grower, and will cover twice as much space in a year as the old variety, and its foliage is much larger and heavier. Where it takes Veitchi 2 or 3 years to get a good start this will start off the first year and make a very large growth. In autumn the foliage colors very beautifully. Strong plants, 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.





## Echinocereus Candicans.

(The Rainbow Cactus.)

This most rare, costly and superb Cacti is offered on page 102 at \$1.00 each, but since that part of our Catalogue went to press we have secured at a great bargain an enormous stock of the finest plants we ever saw, so that we can make a special low offer of it, and send you for 30 cents such plants as were before worth \$1.00. It is a most magnificent plant, thickly covered with a net-work of spines which present a beautiful array of colors ranging from cream color to deep crimson. The great beauty of the plant itself, combined with the enormous size and beauty of the flowers make what we consider to be the most charming Cacti in Cultivation, and one of the most rare and lovely of all plants to possess. Color magenta with white center. Fine large plants, 30 cts. each; larger, 50 cts. each; extra large and fine, \$1.00 each.

**CACTI SEED.**—For 20 cents we send a packet of mixed Cacti seed. See page 104.



AMORPHOPHALLUS RIVIERI.



## New Chrysanthemums.

The following are the most noted new sorts and no other five varieties can be selected which are so desirable. Last year they sold for one dollar and two dollars each, and yet the demand could not be supplied. They created a sensation at all the Chrysanthemum Shows where they were exhibited.

**Mrs. Alpheus Hardy.** Beautiful beyond description. Enormous flowers with wide incurved petals, which are pure white and covered with long fine hairs. A great novelty. 50 cts. each.

**Mrs. Andrew Carnegie.** The largest Chrysanthemum known, being as large as a big hat, double, and perfect, and of the deepest, rich crimson color. 40 cts. each.

**Lilian B. Bird.** Large flower, nearly a foot across, and composed of long quilled petals. Color pinkish or flesh. A magnificent sort. 40 cts. each.

**Mrs. Aker Allen.** We never took much stock in a sweet-scented Chrysanthemum, yet it is claimed that this has a fine violet fragrance. It is a free bloomer, white tinged yellow. \$1.00 each.

**Leopard.** An odd and curious sort, being a fine mauve color, freely and distinctly spotted with white. Fine for exhibition. 25 cts. each.

**Special Offer.**—For only \$1.50 we will send one fine plant each of above five finest Chrysanthemums.

We offer the choicest Chrysanthemum Seed at 25 cents per packet; all kinds mixed; see page 64. When sown in the Spring this seed will produce large strong plants which will bloom magnificently the following Fall. The most superb varieties are raised this way.

## Amorphophallus Rivieri.

A grand summer flowering bulb for tub or open ground culture. One of the rarest and grandest of ornamental plants. Stems and stalks green, spotted rose; leaves decompose and often four feet across. Flowers usually a yard in length, the projecting spadix being dark red and the spathe rosy green. 75 cts. each.

## Rare Orchids.

We will send a collection of five beautiful rare Orchids, named, for \$5.00; or 3 for \$3.00.



# RARE TROPICAL FRUITS.

It is with much pleasure that we are able to offer several rare Tropical Fruits, especially adapted for pot culture in the window or conservatory, North, or for open ground culture in the Southern and Pacific States. The Otaheite Orange is one of the most interesting plants for pot culture that one can possess. The Pine Apple and Banana are particularly fine as pot plants and will give the greatest satisfaction, as also will Figs and Guavas. Growing Rare Tropical Fruits opens up to the cultivator of plants an entirely new channel, and one that will afford interest and pleasure beyond conception. Our stock of everything offered is large and very fine.



OTAHEITE ORANGE.

## The Otaheite Orange.

A grand pot plant, and one of great beauty and novelty. It is a dwarf orange which grows, blooms and fruits freely in pots, even when only a foot or two high. The fruit is about one-half the size of ordinary oranges, and very sweet and delicious. The blossoms are produced in great abundance, delicate and beautiful in color, and rich in delicious perfume. We have a large stock of very fine plants ready to bloom and fruit at once; ours is the largest and finest stock in the country. Do not omit this elegant plant from your order. 40 cents each; 3 for \$1.00.

## Guava, Cattleyi.



GUAVA.

This is the most desirable of the Guava family, being of a dwarf habit and bearing heavily when very small. It is sure to fruit well by the time the plant is a year old. The foliage is evergreen, thick glossy green, and when the plant is loaded with fruit it is a striking and beautiful object. Fruit the size of small crab apples, and very delicious, and valuable for jellies. Plant a heavy bearer, and perfectly adapted to pot culture, sure to succeed with any one, and can be wintered in a cellar, but if kept growing it will ripen its fruit the year round. In England this Guava is called hardy, and it will probably stand the climate of New York, with good protection. There are two varieties of this sort, the Yellow Fruited and Red Fruited. 25 cents each; extra large, 50 cents each.



FIGS.

## Figs.

This delicious fruit can be grown even at the extreme North with assured success. When grown in pots or tubs they are safely wintered in any cellar, and grow and fruit very freely during summer in the open air. As far north as New York the Fig is hardy in the open ground, if planted in a sheltered situation and protected over winter. They usually bear some fruit the first summer after planting, and will give a good crop the second year, either in pots or the open ground. Nothing is more luscious than Figs used fresh from the trees, and when eaten with cream, like strawberries, form one of the most delicious dishes. For pickling, drying or preserving they are also very fine. Their large, luxurious leaves make them very attractive when growing, and, in anyone's possession, a Fig tree is an interesting object. In pots they should be pruned to a bushy habit, and not allowed to get too large for convenience or looks. Give them a rich, sandy soil if possible. We have a very fine variety particularly adapted to pot culture. Price, our selection, 50 cents each.

**Brown Turkey**, large, oblong, dark brown; rich and delicious flavor; very productive, often bearing three crops in a season. A two-year old tree of this sort bore over two hundred fine Figs this season. 75 cents each.

**San Pedros**, new and magnificent; of enormous size, and one of the very finest; skin and flesh white, of extra quality, and very prolific. \$1.00 each.

**White Adriatic**, large, white; skin very thin; pulp of the finest quality; the finest of all for drying. \$1.00 each. And many other fine varieties.

## Japan Loquat.

A beautiful broad-leaved evergreen, which blooms in winter and the fruit ripens in early spring. It is frequently shipped to New York from the South and brings fancy prices. It is a delicious fruit, about the size of a plum, and rich yellow in color. Valuable for the Southern and Pacific States, and a good pot fruit, North. 20 cents each; extra large, 40 cents each.



# THE MELON PEAR OR PEPINO.



A grand tropical fruit which can be as easily grown as a tomato, either in the garden or in pots, and requires the same treatment. After the frost has killed the tops the roots should be removed to the cellar, where they are sure to winter safely. It is a grand pot plant, both in flower and fruit. It blooms freely soon after planting, and in three months the fruit will ripen and continue to ripen until checked by the frost. The fruit is of the size of a goose egg, or even larger, and very much of the same shape. The color is lemon or pale orange with streaks or waves of bright violet, the whole making a fruit unrivaled in beauty. The interior of the fruit is a solid pulp, similar to that of a pear, also of a pale yellow color, and of a taste much like a banana, only sweeter and very juicy, and which has beside a most charming acid. The plant is an enormous yielder. Plants bloom when small, but do not form fruit until quite strong. With us, small plants put out in June fruited in September, and grew to a large size. Price of fine plants for fruiting this summer 25 cts. each; 6 for \$1; 15 for \$2.



BANANA, CAVENDISHI.

## Banana, Cavendishi.

The rarest and finest of all Bananas. It is dwarf, and particularly adapted to pot culture, growing but five to six feet, while its grand leaves are four to six feet long, and often two feet broad, of radiant green mottled and spotted with red, looking as though they were spattered with blood. Fruit large, yellow, ripens very early; of the most delicious quality and borne in immense clusters, reaching to the ground. It is the grandest ornamental plant that can be grown, *Musa Ensete* being very inferior beside it. It makes one of the grandest of specimen plants for bedding out during summer. Every lover of choice plants should possess one. Strong plants, \$1 each; 6 for \$5.

## Passiflora Edulis.

An elegant vine with charming flowers and large luscious fruit. This grand plant is very rare and expensive, even in the tropics, but we have succeeded in propagating a large stock of it and can offer it at the very low price of 25 cts. each.



PINE APPLE, SUGAR LOAF.

## Pine Apple, Sugar Loaf.

The Pine Apple succeeds well with pot culture and can be grown and fruited in a good window, conservatory or greenhouse, and is at all times a beautiful plant. This is the finest flavored of all Pine Apples and so dwarf that it grows and fruits in a five inch pot when but a year old. We have them now, which have not been potted a year and which are bearing fine fruit. It is a most beautiful and interesting plant to grow and one with which every one can succeed. We have fine plants, strong and well rooted. 65 cents each; 3 for \$1.50.

### SPECIAL OFFER.

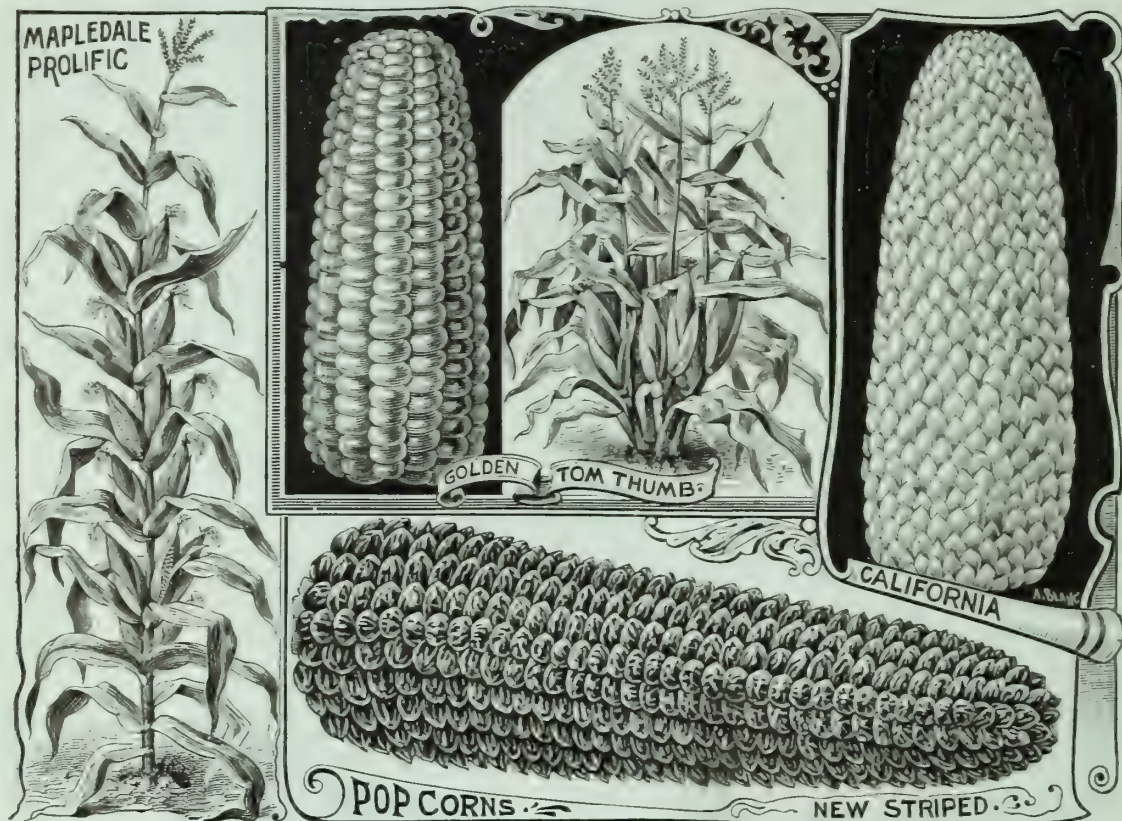
For only \$3 we will send by mail, postpaid, one fine plant each of the 8 grand new Tropical Fruits, viz: Otaheite Orange, Guava, Fig, Loquat, Melon Pear, Banana, *Passiflora* and Pine Apple.

Please let me add one word of praise for the Mayflower. It seems to me to be the most interesting and practical paper of its kind. The knowledge it has given me has been of more value in flower culture than all I ever gained elsewhere.

Yours very truly,

EMMA C. DOWD,  
Meriden, Conn.





## Corn, Pop.

We hope everyone who cultivates a piece of ground, grows a small patch of Pop Corn, especially if they have children to enjoy it during the long winter evenings. Nothing is more enjoyable, and to encourage pop corn culture we offer seven superb new sorts very cheap, and will give the following prizes to those who will raise and send us the seven best ears, one ear each of the seven kinds. First prize of \$15. will be paid for the best set of seven ears. Second prize of \$10, and third prize, \$5. Send the ears by mail during October, and the prizes will be awarded November 1st. To those who send in samples and do not secure any of the three prizes, we will send some sort of a little present to show our appreciation of their efforts. Now give the children a chance.

**California Golden.** This beautiful miniature variety of pop-corn is a native of Lower California, and is certainly a curious and beautiful variety. The stalks grow from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 feet high, bearing numerous, very small ears from 2 to 3 inches in length, perfect in form and shape. Its deep pointed grains are of a fine, rich golden color, and its popping qualities are splendid. When dried, shelled and popped, each grain forms a round white ball, looking like miniature balls of snow. It is also valuable and highly esteemed for mantel ornaments and Christmas decorations, as the small, delicate, beautiful ears, with their shining golden grains, among everlasting, dried grasses, or other holiday decorations, form a remarkable, pleasing and attractive appearance. It is extremely hardy and very productive, nearly every stalk bearing from 3 to 6 perfect ears. Pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., 25c.

**Mapledale Prolific.** A most marvelous pop-corn, as it bears from 10 to 20 ears on a stalk, to the utter astonishment of all who see it. The introducer claims it will average 12 ears to the stalk, another party reports 121 ears from 10 stalks. It is fine quality, and of course outstrips all in productivity. Per Pkt., 20c.

**Golden Tom Thumb.** An exceedingly fine novelty. The stalks grow only eighteen inches high, and each stalk produces two or three perfect little ears, only 2 to  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches long, completely filled with bright, golden-yellow grains, which, when popped, expand to a large size. On one stalk we measured three ears, starting from within six inches of the ground. The stalks do not stool, and each stalk averages five leaves, which are of an extra dark green color.

In a word it is a perfect miniature corn, most distinct from its handsome dwarf growth. So ornamental and compact is the growth, that we are quite sure it will be a feature of many a garden. It grows very quickly and the ears are ready to gather by August 1st. Pkt. 10c; 3 pkts. for 25c.

**Queen's Golden.** This handsome new Pop Corn is splendid in yield, in sturdy growth, in size, and in color when popped—being of a delicate golden yellow. Above all, its exceeding tenderness when popped, together with its delicious and delicate taste. When popped it expands to an inch in diameter, and is as white and light as a snowflake. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.

**New Striped,** a most beautiful and highly valuable sort. The color is a clear transparent white, and each kernel is distinctly striped with bright crimson. The ears are of good size and well filled out; kernels are long and pointed resembling rice. It ripens early and is very productive. When popped it is extremely tender, snow white, large and delicious. Pkt. 10c.

**Improved Red Rice,** a fine sort of good size ear, and dark red colored kernels, when popped it is pure white and very tender. One of the very best sorts grown. Per Pkt. 5c; per pint, 25c.

**Snowflake.** A superb sort with light pointed kernels set thickly on the cob. When popped it is very large, and very light, white as snow and as sweet as a nut. Per pkt., 10 cts.; per pint, 40 cts.

**SPECIAL OFFER.** For only 50 cts. we will send one packet each of these seven elegant sorts.



# MANETTIA VINE.



**T**HIS is the most beautiful and desirable of all vines, as it can be grown either in the house or garden, and is full of bloom every day in the year. In the house, it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom both summer and winter. In the open ground during summer, it will grow ten feet, branching freely, and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are the size shown on the plate, and of the most intense fiery scarlet, shading off into a bright yellow tip; they are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance, which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and *continues to bloom most profusely at all times*. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers, if it has any sort of decent care. It being quite unknown, and of such striking beauty, either for screens, baskets, vases, windows, trellises, stumps, etc., that it attracts the admiration of every eye. For nearly two years we have had one specimen plant trained up in our greenhouse, and it has been more admired than any other plant we possess; but few visitors have been here who did not pay 50 cts. each for one or more small plants of it. Strong plants already budded or blooming, 35 cts. each; 2 for 60 cts.; 4 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00.

## Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora.

**A** most beautiful new plant, which inclines to a trailing or climbing habit, but never attains a greater height than 3 to 5 feet, and can be pinched back to a bush form. Its flowers are star-shaped, like a clematis, and borne in enormous panicles or clusters, often a foot across. In color, they are pure white, with a violet tinge on back of petals, and on the buds. In pots it is a fine bloomer, both summer and winter; but its grandeur for out-door culture when trained against a wall or trellis, and showing hundreds of these magnificent panicles of bloom, cannot be described. It is a free, and constant bloomer, commencing when only a foot high, and like the Manettia, its flowers keep perfect a long time before fading. No more beautiful object can be seen than these two vines growing side by side, and mingling their profusion of bloom. Strong plants 40 cts. each; 3 for \$1.00; 7 for \$2.00.

## SPECIAL OFFER.

We cannot too strongly urge our customers to plant these two vines. Their wonderful beauty will be a revelation to you and all your friends, and there is nothing which are such profuse bloomers at all times, and in all situations. *For only 55 cts. we will send one fine plant of each.*





*Manettia* Vine

*Solanum Jasminoides*  
*Grandiflora.*



# SELECT ASSORTMENT —OF— CHOICE FLOWER SEEDS.

Before Ordering Read "General Instructions" on Second Page.

**O**UR Seed must not be confounded with the usual mercantile grades. A visit to our place during the summer months will convince any one of the great superiority of our *high grade* seeds over those usually sold. All important varieties are grown here on our grounds, or especially for us in different parts of this country or Europe, which best suits their development, and all from superior strains, which have been in our possession and constantly improving for more than ten years. They have been worked up to such high perfection and are so carefully selected and saved, that many varieties which we can buy at any seed house in Europe for 10 or 15 cents per ounce, costs us one dollar or more per ounce to grow. Therefore we repeat, DO NOT CONFOUND OUR HIGH GRADE SEEDS WITH THE USUAL MERCANTILE GRADES, WHICH ARE GROWN CHEAP, SOLD CHEAP, AND ARE IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD CHEAP AND POOR. Our seeds are cultivated with a view to attaining the highest possible mark of perfection, and to supply a class of people who want nothing but the very best. We have made our prices as low as possible consistent with the high quality of seeds, and the liberal quantity we give in each packet.

## Annuals, or Seeds Which Flower the First Season.

On this class of flowers the garden is dependent for most of its best summer display. The list of varieties we offer has been selected with great care, with a view to offering only the most desirable kinds. For instance, we have thoroughly tested all the different kinds of Asters, and find those which we have offered to be the best in all respects; and so on through all the list.

In sowing seed very pretty effects are produced by massing various colors. Take for instance the Phlox; sow circular or straight rows of the different colors side by side, and the contrast is charming and especially desirable for large beds. For small masses it is better to sow the mixed colors. If several kinds of seed are sown in one bed, the tallest, like Salvias or Zinnias, should be in the center, and the lowest, like Verbenas or Portulaca, on the outside, with intermediate between. A bed of Poppies alone make a most brilliant mass of color. The same can be said of Asters, Calliopsis, Eschscholtzia, Dianthus, Portulaca, Petunias, Zinnias, etc. A bed of large ornamental foliage plants like Cannas and Ricinus is a grand sight. As a rule any of the seeds offered in this department can be sown in the open ground as early as corn can be planted, or they can be started earlier in hotbeds, frames, pots or boxes, if desired, and transplanted to the garden when danger of frost is over. We have been to much trouble and expense for many years to raise or procure improved strains of the leading annuals, and have met with such good success that we can with safety say our seed has no superior, and we invite comparison. Our Asters Balsams, Chrysanthemums, Dianthus, Marigold, Mignonette, Pansy, Poppy, Phlox, Petunia, Portulaca, Stocks, Verbenas and Zinnias, are particularly celebrated as the finest strains in the country.



### Antirrhinum.

(Snapdragon.)

Bears very beautiful spikes of gay-colored flowers, and should have a place in every garden. They usually survive the winter and flower even better the second than the first season. They are quite easily propagated by cuttings, and, if rooted in the fall, they make elegant pot plants for early spring bloom.

Per pkt.

Tall, all colors, mixed... 5

Dwarf, " " " 5

**Tom Thumb**, mixed colors, only 8 inches high, of dwarf, compact habit, thickly studded with spikes of brilliant flowers. It is the best of all Antirrhinums,

ANTIRRHINUM, TOM THUMB, and one of the most showy garden flowers..... 10

### Alyssum.

The sweet Alyssum is one of the most fragrant and useful of all annuals for bouquets and floral work. Sow seed very early in open ground and it will soon bloom.

Sweet, pure white..... 5

**Little Gem**, In this distinct variety the plants are of very compact spreading growth; they attain only three to four inches in height, but a single plant will completely cover a circle twelve to fourteen inches in diameter. They begin to bloom very quickly from seed, the plants bearing profusely while quite small. They soon become densely studded with beautiful miniature spikes of pure white flowers, in wonderful

profusion and of delicious fragrance. More than three hundred perfect spikes of flowers, in full bloom at one time, have been counted on a single plant..... 10



ALYSSUM, LITTLE GEM.

### Ageratum.

A highly ornamental class of free-flowering plants which are useful for pot culture as well as the open ground. The dwarf varieties make splendid borders for beds, as they are compact and always loaded with flowers.

**Little Gem**, dwarf and compact; a perfect mass of blue flowers all the time..... 5

**Tom Thumb**, white; dwarf and compact..... 5

**Lasseauxi**, fine rose color..... 5





BED OF ASTERS.

## Aster.

The numerous forms of the Aster, and the great variety of rich colors of its perfectly double flowers, make it a leading favorite. For a late summer and fall display it has no equal. No garden should be without a good variety of these beautiful flowers. They are very easily grown, succeeding admirably in all kinds of soil, producing a display of richly colored double blossoms of which any one can be proud. Do not fail to plant a good variety of these grand flowers.

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| <b>Truffaut's Peony-Flowered</b> , mixed colors. A beautiful and favorite variety .....   | 10 |
| <b>New Rose</b> , finest mixture in all colors. Plants of this variety grow large and strong, and bear from 50 to 100 fine double flowers of large size and great beauty. ....  | 10 |
| <b>Quilled Cerman</b> , fine mixed, petals beautifully quilled..  | 10 |
| <b>Washington</b> , mixed colors; flowers are enormous size and very double.....  | 15 |
| <b>Dwarf Chrysanthemum Flowered</b> , mixed colors; very fine large flowers.....  | 10 |
| <b>Dwarf Bouquet</b> , mixed, very dwarf and pretty.....  | 10 |
| <b>Imbrique Pompon</b> , mixed, fine, perfect and double blossoms.....  | 10 |
| <b>Giant Emperor</b> , this usually throws up one straight stalk on which is borne one flower of mammoth size; very fine, mixed.....  | 10 |
| <b>Harlequin</b> , a new dwarf strain of great beauty, the petals of the flowers being very irregularly colored, and the same plant often shows a great variety of blotched and streaked flowers. It is one of the latest to bloom and is particularly valuable on that account.....                            | 10 |
| <b>Pearl, Mixed Colors</b> , the plants are half dwarf, about one foot high, beautiful in form and growth, healthy and vigorous. The flowers are of the largest size, perfectly double, and the most lovely rosette form, while the colors, rose and white, are of the most delicate and beautiful shades ..... | 20 |
| <b>Reine des Halles</b> , a beautiful strain, which are so hardy and robust that when sown in the open ground in May they bloom in July, three weeks sooner than any others. Very valuable. Mixed colors.....   | 10 |

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| <b>Multiflora</b> , a new strain, growing one foot high, and producing flowers in such profusion that the plant is a solid pyramid of bloom; large, double blossoms and extra fine colors; mixed.....  | 15 |
| <b>Mignon</b> , a new white Aster of great beauty. Plants about 15 inches high, very bushy and prolific, flowers of good size, pure white reflex petals, and very double.....  | 10 |
| <b>Lemon Gem</b> . We find the color hardly decided enough to be called yellow, yet it is the nearest approach to it yet seen among Asters, and is really a lovely soft yellow tinge, in itself extremely beautiful, and unlike any other Aster. Flowers very large and double, and plant of a dwarf habit, compact and showing its elegant blossoms to great advantage..... | 15 |
| <b>Betteridge's Prize</b> , mixed colors. Plants strong and branching, flowers regularly quilled, with a single row of outer flat petals, which are often a different color from the center. A very beautiful Aster.....   | 5  |

### Pygmæ, mixed colors.

This is one of the most beautiful little gems we have ever seen. The plant is very dwarf, and forms a beautiful tuft of leaves close to the ground, surmounted by a pyramidal cluster of bright, perfect, double flowers. The whole plant in itself is a charming bouquet. The great beauty of a border or bed of these plants of various colors is better imagined than described. They are also gems for small pots, and thrive splendidly. Choicest seed of about ten fine colors, mixed.....

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ASTER, PYGMÆ.

**Special Offer.**—For \$1.25 we will send one packet each of these 16 fine Asters.





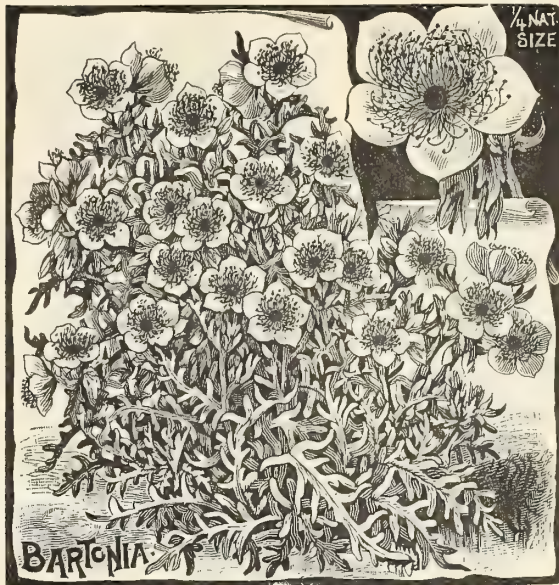
BALSAM, CHILDS' CAMELLIA FLOWERED PERFECTION.

## Balsam.

Our new Camellia-flowered varieties are without doubt the finest in the world. Their flowers are of gigantic size, and so double and perfect that they resemble small Camellias and are borne in such wonderful profusion, that we have counted from 500 to 600 blooms upon a plant at the same time. Every plant will produce fine double flowers. During the last five years we have received from every State and Territory enough letters commending these Balsams to fill a large volume. Few garden flowers give better satisfaction than good Balsams, though we admit that poor ones are of very little account. We know how hard it is to raise good seed and how little good seed is sold in the country. We also know that those who plant the seed we grow and sell, will admit that they never before realized the great beauty of good Balsams.

Per pkt.

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| <b>White</b> , magnificent. The best white Balsam.....  | 10 |
| <b>Pink</b> , splendid deep color.....  | 10 |
| <b>Scarlet</b> , very bright.....   | 10 |
| <b>Striped</b> , white and purple.....  | 10 |
| <b>Variegated</b> , scarlet and white.....  | 10 |
| <b>Lavender</b> , beautiful.....  | 10 |
| <b>Light Pink</b> , very delicate, (Apple Blossom).....   | 10 |
| <b>Fancy Spotted, Mixed</b> , crimson, purple, magenta, etc., all spotted white.....  | 10 |
| <b>Light Lemon</b> . This is the most beautiful Balsam we have ever sent out. The color is entirely new, being a beautiful light lemon or creamy shade. Flowers very large, double and perfect, and borne in great profusion.....   | 15 |
| <b>Preferred</b> , new and splendid. The flower is very large, double and perfect, white tinted with delicate lavender. This tint is so delicate and shadow-like that it looks as though it was reflected on the flower from something else. The plant is of stout growth, with only a few branches, and the leaves are so small and few that the blossoms show to great advantage. The stems being at all times crowded with flowers, they are really immense spikes of bloom instead of branches..... | 10 |
| One paper each of above ten kinds, 75 cents.  |    |
| <b>Mixed Colors</b> , of all the above.....   | 10 |



## Bartonia.

A grand Annual which commences to bloom in a month from the time of sowing the seed in the garden, and continues all the Summer in great profusion, growing twenty inches high, and branching freely. Flowers large, saucer-shaped, of brilliant, glossy-yellow color. The numerous fine web-like stamens make the flower look as though shrouded in a mist of gold-dust. It is one of the most desirable, and easiest grown of all garden annuals.

Per pkt.

- Aurea Grandiflora**, fine..... 10



BELLIS.

## Bellis, (Double Daisy.)

This beautiful little Daisy is indispensable for cool, shady places, pots and frames. With protection they will stand the winter and greet us in the early spring with a profusion of gay flowers. They bloom beautifully in the house during winter and spring when cultivated in pots, and we highly recommend them for this purpose. In the garden treat them like Pansies.

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| <b>Double, Mixed Colors</b> , white, pink, rose, etc.....      | 10 |
| <b>Double, White</b> , pure in color and profuse in bloom..... | 10 |
| <b>Longfellow</b> , double, dark crimson; new and fine.....    | 10 |

## Brachycome.

Sometimes called Swan River Daisy. It is a dwarf, bushy plant, covered all summer with a profusion of beautiful daisy-like blossoms.

- Mixed Colors**- blue and white; very effective..... 5

## Carduus.

A gigantic thistle from the hills of the Atlas. The leaves are deep pronged, over three feet long, and of a dark green color, and will cover a space of several yards. When fully grown it attains a height of 11 feet, forming beautiful pyramids, with slender drooping branches which carry at their ends bright purple flowers. It is a grand ornamental plant.

- Giganteus**, Giant Thistle..... 10



## Candytuft.

A pretty hardy annual. It blooms freely and produces fine effects, and is particularly valuable for bouquet making and cut flowers. Sow early in the open ground and it will soon be in bloom. The Tom Thumb is exceedingly fine. Per pkt.

**All Colors, mixed, 5**

**Pure White, splendid for floral work 5**

**Rocket, white flowers, borne in pyramidal spikes..... 5**

**Dark Crimson..... 5**

**Tom Thumb, mixed colors; very dwarf, four to six inches high, compact and free flowering; new and splendid..... 5**



CANDYTUFT.

## Cerinthe.

A pretty annual of quick growth, producing a bunch of drooping flowers from beautiful tufts of leaves at the ends of the branches. The flowers are over an inch in length and usually composed of two colors. It is new, odd and pretty.

**Mixed Colors..... 5**

## Calliopsis.

Many of our most showy flowers are slighted because they are common and grow anywhere without trouble or care, almost like weeds. Were it a new thing just introduced it would be considered a novelty of rare excellence, or were it difficult to rear it would be highly prized. But as it is, the poor little annual with its abundance of showy flowers, its graceful and charming habit, willing to grow for any one in any situation, and with neglect, has to beg a home in many gardens that should be proud of it. Seed should be sown in the open ground quite early in the spring and the plants thinned out to six inches apart.

**Mixed Colors, all shades..... 5**

**Dwarf Compact, Mixed Colors, a new and beautiful dwarf strain; splendid, profuse bloomers..... 10**

**Golden Wave.** For a mass of bright golden color this is probably the most effective of all annuals. Plant very bushy and compact, reaching two feet in height, and covered from July to October with hundreds of beautiful golden blossoms with small dark centers. When grown in rows or masses the effect is very striking. It is, indeed, a wave of gold. Seed can be sown in the open ground very early, or transplanted. It is one of those flowers which will grow in any situation, for anybody and always be greatly admired..... 10

**New Double.** See Novelties..... 10

## Cynoglossum.

A fine hardy annual, growing over a foot high, with long loose sprays of beautiful white flowers, which look very graceful and pretty. Though not a new plant in Europe we have never seen it in cultivation in this country, which is a wonder for it is a charming thing. It is especially valuable for cutting for bouquets, &c. It is a great honey producing flower and bees just revel in it.

**Linifolium, very fine..... 10**



COSMOS, CHILDS' HYBRIDS.

## Cosmos, Childs' Hybrids.

Our new hybrids of this magnificent annual are among the most showy and graceful of all garden flowers, and nothing can give greater satisfaction for a late display. They make very large plants, growing five to seven feet high, which are beautiful masses of the most elegant foliage until they begin to bloom in September, when each plant will have hundreds of large showy blossoms. October frosts do not hurt the plants or flowers, and during that month it is the gayest and most showy plant in cultivation. It is pronounced by all to be the finest seed novelty in many years. Per pkt.

**Hybrids, mixed, all colors, white, pink, crimson, etc ... 15**

**Childs', large flowers of pure white color..... 15**



COLLOMIA.

## Collomia.

This is another odd flower which succeeds admirably in any situation. The plants produce clusters of bloom which are much like a Bouvardia, and very fine for cutting. As it blooms all summer it will be greatly appreciated by all.

**Coccinea, fine red..... 10**

## Calendula.

These are now among the most beautiful and popular garden annuals. Sow seed early in the open ground and they will bloom profusely from June until the ground freezes. Fall frosts do not injure them. They can be potted in the fall and if placed in a sunny window will not be without flowers all winter. The blossoms are very large and perfectly double.

**Mixed Colors, all fine double sorts..... 5**

**Meteor, very double; petals small and each one marked with two shades of yellow; very effective..... 5**

**Whirlpool.** See Novelties..... 15







CHRYSANTHEMUM CARINATUM.

## Chrysanthemum.

The great and growing demand for the annual varieties has brought Chrysanthemums into general favor. The colors have the appearance of being laid on with a brush, and for this reason they are frequently called "Painted Daisies," and are indeed charming. Sow seed early in open ground and they will bloom profusely all summer.

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|   | Per pkt. |
| <b>Carinatum Hybrids</b> , mixed colors; elegant.....   | 5        |
| <b>Carinatum Hybrids</b> , double, mixed colors.....  | 5        |
| <b>Inodorum Plenissimum</b> , dwarf and free flowering, very double and pure white; elegant for pots.....   | 10       |
| <b>Fascination</b> , new; color dark crimson red, finely set off by a golden band in the center.....  | 5        |
| <b>Golden Feather</b> , grand new annual Chrysanthemum with bright yellow foliage and charming blossoms. It commences to bloom in eight weeks from the time of sowing the seed and continues all summer. The beautiful large white daisy-like flowers are 2½ to 3 inches across; the dark velvety disk in the center is surrounded by a circle of bright golden yellow, followed by another clear cut circle of rich crimson, as clearly defined from the outer white as if painted. Add to the flowers the masses of elegant yellow foliage among them and we have a plant of rare beauty..... | 10       |



CELOSIA.



CENTRANTHUS.

## Gelasia, Cockscomb.

One of the most beautiful flowers that can be grown in the open ground. They are not difficult to grow, as is usually supposed. Start in heat and transplant to rich garden soil last of May. Their enormous heads of bloom with bright fiery colors resemble nothing else in cultivation, and are indeed beautiful and attractive.

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| <b>Dwarf</b> , mixed, including Glasgow prize, and all the beautiful large flowered dwarf sorts; some of which produce heads over two feet in circumference..... | 10 |
| <b>New Variegated</b> , the combs of this variety are variegated with bright crimson and yellow, forming a most beautiful contrast.....                          | 5  |
| <b>Golden Pillow</b> , dwarf habit, with a deep golden yellow comb of enormous size; new.....  | 10 |

## Convolvulus Minor.

These are dwarf Morning Glories and very pretty. They do not climb but form large bushy plants which are a perfect mass of flowers.

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| <b>Mixed Colors</b> ..... | 5 |
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## Centranthus.

This is one of the most beautiful of all annuals. The flowers are very small and borne in large clusters, each one of which is in itself a pretty bouquet. Very valuable for cutting.

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| <b>Mixed Colors</b> , white and pink..... | Per pkt. 5 |
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DOUBLE DAHLIAS FROM SEED.

## Dahlias.

Many people are not aware that Dahlias from seed sown in the Spring will bloom beautifully the first Summer, and give quite as good, if not better satisfaction than bulbs. From one or two papers of seeds many plants can be raised, which will be of the greatest variety of colors and mostly perfectly double, fully equal to many of the finest named sorts. Seed germinates quickly and easily, and plants grow very rapidly. We would advise starting seed under glass, and transplanting to the garden in good rich soil the last of May, where they will grow with surprising rapidity, and be in bloom before you are aware of it. Florists and seed dealers have for years endeavored to keep the fact that fine Dahlias can be grown from seed from the public, that the sale of roots might not be diminished thereby. We were the first to proclaim the fact several years ago, and our Dahlia seed has proved so good and satisfactory that the demand for it is simply enormous.

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| <b>Double Large Flowering</b> , Mixed, extra choice, from select flowers only.....   | 20 |
| <b>Double Pompon</b> , Mixed, extra choice, from select flowers only.....  | 15 |
| <b>New Single</b> , Mixed Colors, the flowers of single Dahlias are large, perfectly star-shaped, formed of broad petals, which are gay and beautiful in color. They grow and bloom very quick from seed, almost, if not quite, as quickly as Zinnias, and can be easily raised..... | 10 |
| <b>Cracills</b> , Mixed Colors, new and very beautiful, with finely cut foliage and large, single flowers of perfect form and brilliant colors, most of the blossoms being elegantly striped and variegated.....   | 15 |
| <b>Zimpani</b> , a dwarf, low growing, single Dahlia, producing a great profusion of black flowers, which are graceful and striking.....   | 10 |

One packet each of the five sorts, 50 cents.





DIANTHUS.

## Dianthus.

The Dianthus or Chinese Pink has long been a great garden favorite. It is, in fact, one of our most useful plants, furnishing abundance of gay and pretty flowers until frozen within the earth and covered by drifting snows. They live over winter and bloom as well the second year as the first. They are quite as pretty for pot plants in the house as Carnations; indeed, their variety of color is more varied and pretty, while they are freer bloomers. As pot plants the Dianthus will always give great satisfaction, and as a garden flower they are among the very best. Plants from seed grow and bloom very quickly. We know we are doing our customers a kindness by urging them to plant the Dianthus for both garden and pots.

Per pkt.

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| <b>Diadematus</b> , Flore Plena, splendid large double flowers of dark shades, marked with white and black colors, rich and beautiful.....   | 10 |
| <b>Atropurpureus</b> , Flore Plena, large dark red double flowers.....   | 5  |
| <b>Double White</b> , large and fine.....  | 5  |
| <b>Laciniatus</b> , fine double flowers of various colors mixed..  | 5  |
| <b>Striatus</b> , fine large double striped.....   | 10 |
| <b>Hedewigi</b> , flowers single, three inches across, of rich and beautiful colors.....   | 5  |
| <b>Eastern Queen</b> , single, three or four inches across, splendidly striped and stained.....  | 5  |
| <b>Mourning Cloak</b> , a new Dianthus of great beauty. The flowers are very large and double and of a fine deep purplish black color, the petals being elegantly fimbriated and bordered with pure white. This flower is specially suitable for mourning bouquets, wreaths, etc., and as a garden or pot flower it is novel and charming..... | 15 |
| <b>The Bride</b> . See Novelties.....  | 15 |

For 50c. we will send one packet each of the 9 splendid sorts.

## Datura.

The Datura or Ghost Flower is a very interesting plant. It grows several feet in height and branches freely, producing large trumpet-shaped flowers a foot or more in length. They always attract a great deal of attention. Sow seed in the open ground, or they can be started early in pots.

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| <b>Fastuosa</b> , double mixed colors.....           | 5  |
| <b>Sweet Nightingale</b> . See Evening Bloomers..... | 15 |



## Eschscholtzia.

These are very easily grown as they flourish in any situation, and bear very large showy blossoms. The foliage is finely cut and perfectly elegant. Sow early in open ground.

Per pkt.

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| <b>Mixed Colors</b> , very showy for masses..... | 5 |
| <b>New Double White</b> , a fine novelty.....    | 5 |



FEVERFEW, DWARF.

## Feverfews, Dwarf.

As will be seen by the cut these new Dwarf Feverfews are very fine indeed. They are annuals and bloom early from seed, and continue all summer. They are also elegant for winter blooming in pots. The flowers are large and as double as roses, and borne in such profusion as to cover the plant.

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| <b>Little Belle</b> , pure snow white.....   | 10 |
| <b>Little Fred</b> , fine golden yellow..... | 10 |





GODETIA.

## Fenzlia.

Early in May we sowed a row of this flower in our trial grounds, having no idea it would prove to be one of the most beautiful gems we ever saw. Such however was the case. It germinated quickly and in a few weeks began to bloom, and all summer long it was one perfect mass of gay flowers, as shown in the cut. The plants do not grow over three inches high, but spread out like a Portulaca, forming a perfect mat of fine foliage, and branches, which are thickly covered at all times with perfectly charming blossoms of lovely colors. For a border or mass it is superb, and there is nothing more beautiful for carpet bedding. For cultivating in pots it is also a most charming thing, particularly as it flowers so early and profusely. Try it by all means. Per pkt.

**Dianthiflora, grand**..... 15



FENZLIA DIANTHIFLORA.

## Godetia, (Satin Flower.)

The Godetia is useful in more ways than one. Seeds sown early in pots, bloom in a few weeks and make a gay display. Sown early in the open ground, they are soon in bloom and present a brilliant mass of colors, which will delight all who see them. Their flowers are large and their colors are so delicate and shining they have received the name of Satin Flower. Per pkt.

**Mixed Colors**..... 5

**Lady Albemarle**, flowers four inches across and of intense carmine, shaded toward the edge with delicate lilac..... 5

**Duchess of Albany**, pure white; new and magnificent..... 5

**Bijou**, the plants never exceed six inches in height, and form curious, carpet-like bushes, a foot or more across, which are densely covered with from 250 to 300 exceedingly pretty flowers, which are snowy white, with a bright carmine rose spot at the base of each petal..... 5

**Satin Rose**, bright crimson, very effective..... 10

**The Bride**, crimson and white, very delicate and beautiful..... 10

**Princess Henry**, new; it is of the most delicate satiny rose tint, and each petal is marked with a broad, shining carmine spot, boldly contrasting with the ground color. Besides being particularly handsome and effective for a mass, it is useful for pots and for cutting..... 20

One packet each of above seven sorts, 50 cents.

## Gamolopsis.

A beautiful free flowering plant hardly known to cultivation in this country. It is of compact, low growth, with fern like foliage, and bright yellow daisy like blossoms.

**Tagetes**, golden yellow in profusion..... 5

## Gaillardia.

Very showy and worthy a place in every garden, though they are as yet little cultivated. They always attract attention by their gay colors.

**Mixed Colors**..... 5

**Lorenziana**, large globular heads of crimson and yellow blossoms; new and fine..... 5

## Gypsophila.

This plant produces a profusion of small white flowers in graceful and beautiful sprays which are splendid for bouquets. They are, in fact, indispensable, and should be in every garden. They bloom in a few weeks from the time of sowing the seed.

**Elegans**, white, blooms very early..... 5



GYPHOPHILA.





HUGELIA. COERULAE.

## Hugelia, Coerulae.

This is not new, but is little known, and is very desirable. It grows 18 inches high supporting on its long stems clusters of delicate light blue blossoms, the single florets being in color and size almost exactly like a Forget-me-not. For bouquets and cutting it is one of the choicest garden flowers. Pkt., 10 cts.



## Helianthus, (Sunflower.)

The Sunflower, so long neglected, is now very popular. For situations where tall plants are wanted, around trees, among shrubbery or against fences, it is indispensable. Per pkt.

**New Double Dwarf**, large, perfectly double flowers ..... 5

**Argophyllus**, the most elegant of all Sunflowers, the leaves being covered with a greyish down which gives the plant a charming silvery white appearance. It grows in pyramidal form, branching freely from the ground to the tip, and produces its beautiful blossoms in great number from early summer to late fall. The flowers are small with broad, deep golden petals, beautifully set off by a jet-black center. .... 5

**Miniature**, the smallest one and most beautiful of all Sunflowers, growing only two feet high; very bushy and producing freely all summer numerous blossoms, bright yellow, 2 to 3 inches across. New and fine... 5



LINARIA APARINOIDES.

## Linara Aparinoides.

Most beautiful colors are found in great variety in this strain, from dark purple to delicate rose, splendid self colors as well as the most lovely gradation of melted shades. The flowers are produced in terminal spikes and show themselves to great advantage in bouquets. Produces an abundance of flowers and for a considerable length of time. It is one of the most showy of annuals, the colors being so bright and dazzling. Seed can be sown in open ground.

**Mixed Colors**, fine. .... 10



LYCHNIS. BURNING STAR.

## Lychnis.

Fine hardy perennials that grow and bloom year after year from the same root. Sow early in open ground and they will bloom finely the first season. Per pkt.

**Mixed Colors**. .... 5

**Burning Star**, a fine dwarf plant, bearing large, star-shaped flowers, which are exceedingly brilliant and striking, hence the name "Burning Star." It blooms very early, especially when started under glass, and continues all summer. It also grows exceedingly well in pots, and is really a charming pot plant. It lives in the open ground over winter without protection and blooms even better the second, than the first year. All colors mixed. .... 10

## Larkspur.

An old and well known hardy annual. Sow early in open ground. The flowers are borne in compact spikes and are showy and desirable for any situation.

**Mixed Colors**, of all the best sorts. .... 5

## Layia.

Our trial of this beautiful unknown annual the past summer has convinced us of its great value. Seed can be sown in the open ground early and flowers appear in a few weeks and continue in great profusion all summer. Habit neat and compact, with fine fern-like foliage. Flowers large, opening flat.

**Mixed**, two colors, white, and yellow bordered white; very beautiful. .... 10

## Lobelia.

For decorative purposes, such as vases, hanging baskets, borders of beds, etc., the graceful little Lobelia is without a rival. Sow seed early and they will be big enough for baskets, vases, etc., in May or June.

**Crystal Palace**, dark blue; best for bedding. .... 5

**Erinus**, mixed colors, erect. .... 5

**New Double Dwarf**, mixed colors. A lovely dwarf compact sort, bearing hundreds of beautiful double blossoms of various colors. It is a charming little plant, 10



MIMULUS.

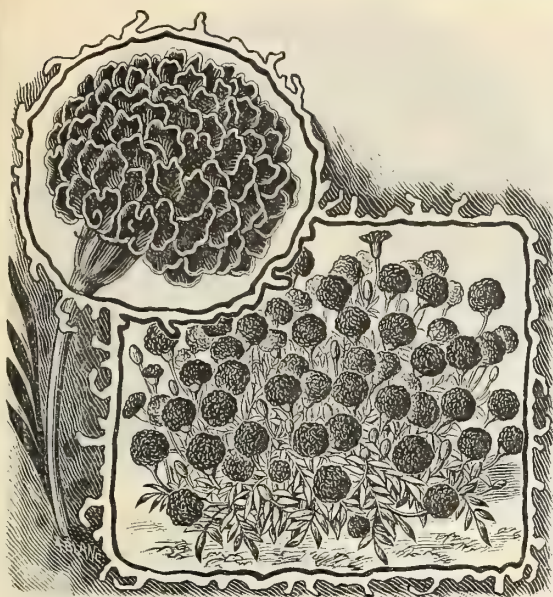
## Mimulus.

Beautiful free-flowering plants which succeed admirably when grown in pots and plunged in a shady place. The flowers are spotted and marked in a very beautiful way.

**Mixed Sorts**, (Monkey Flower). .... 5

**Moschatus**, (Musk Plant,) delightful musk odor from the foliage. Flowers bright yellow. .... 5





MARIGOLD, PYGMÆ.

## Marigold.

This flower, so popular of old has been greatly improved of late years, and is again a leading garden favorite. Its large double blossoms are very showy. Per pkt.

**French, Mixed Colors**, small double flowers in great profusion..... 5

**African, Mixed Colors**, large double blossoms, lemon and golden yellow colors; very beautiful..... 5

**Butterfly**, a new sort of strong growth, producing hundreds of large flowers, beautifully striped and variegated. It is really a charming novelty..... 5

**Dahlia-Flowered**, a grand Marigold of the African type, growing 2 to 3 feet high, strong and robust like a Dahlia, and producing enormous double blossoms, in size and shape resembling the finest Dahlias. The blossoms will average 10 inches in circumference, and are of various colors from orange to fine canary yellow. Plant one to two feet apart. A few will be single and should be pulled up as soon as the flowers show, to give the double ones more room. It is a grand flower which will greatly please all..... 10



MARIGOLD, DAHLIA FLOWERED.

**Pygmæ.** We were more than pleased with our test of this charming novelty the past season. Plants commence to bloom very soon after they are above the ground, and when only two or three inches high, and gradually spread out and grow a little taller till they reach the height of nine or ten inches, and are one unbroken solid row of flowers and foliage. They are completely covered with bloom all the time, and for borders and bedding they are superb. The flowers are light velvety brown, petals beautifully bordered with bright yellow. It is a valuable novelty..... 10



MIGNONETTE, MACHET.



GIANT WHITE SPIRAL.

## Mignonette.

Our strains of Mignonette are very fine indeed. The Golden Queen is a splendid addition to our list, while the Giant White Spiral, which we introduced several years ago, is the best and only true white variety. The delicious fragrance of the Mignonette makes it indispensable for bouquets and cutting. It is best to sow seed early in the garden, and they will commence blooming first of June. Our stock of Machet, Golden Queen, and Giant White Spiral, are perfectly true and pure.

**Common Sweet.** Per ounce, 20 cents..... 5

**Pyramidal or Giant Tree**, flowers large and very sweet. A robust grower and free bloomer..... 5

**Giant White Spiral.** This grand Mignonette, which we introduced several years ago, grows two or three feet high, perfectly erect, and we measured spikes of bloom on our grounds this season, which were 15 inches long. Its color is pure snow white, and the grand spikes of bloom can be seen for a long distance, and being so beautiful in form and color, much unlike anything else in cultivation, it attracts the attention of everybody. Its fragrance is rich and powerful, and it will produce twice as much bloom as any other variety. Seed can be sown in the open ground in April or May, where it will germinate very quickly and grow rapidly, and commence blooming early in June. If planted in pots at any time during the year they will soon bloom, and make beautiful pot plants, especially in the winter and spring. This Mignonette has given great satisfaction. The cut shows the beauty of the foliage and bloom.... 10

**Machet.** The finest Mignonette yet known. The plant is a strong bushy grower, bearing spikes of flowers in great number, which are of gigantic size and perfect pyramidal shape, and of a brick red color. It is extremely beautiful and fragrant. Our stock is true and pure. Much inferior stock of this variety is being offered.... 10

**Golden Queen.** Dense pyramidal habit, throwing up numerous flower stalks bearing spikes of yellowish blossoms; new..... 5

For 25 cts. we will send one paper of each of the 5 Mignonettes.

## Mimosa.

Commonly called "Sensitive Plant," as its leaves when touched fold and droop, but recover in a short time. It is a very curious and interesting plant.

**Publica**, Sensitive Plant..... 5



## Myosotis, (Forget-me-not.)



MYOSOTIS.

he flung the fatal blossoms upon the land, exclaiming as he did so, "Forget-me-not!"

These are admirable for pot culture for winter blooming, as well as for growing in the open ground. Nothing is finer for bouquets than the charming Forget-me-not. The tradition, which tells how the name Forget-me-not came to be applied to this plant, is told in a back number of the *Mayflower*. It is said that a Knight and a lady were walking by the side of the Danube Interchanging vows of devotion and affection, when the lady saw, on the other side of the stream, the bright blue flowers of the Myosotis, and expressed a desire for them. The Knight, eager to gratify her, plunged into the river, and reaching the opposite bank, gathered a bunch of flowers. On his return the current proved too strong for him, and after many efforts to reach the land he was borne away. With a last effort

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| <b>Palustris</b> , new; large flowering blue; elegant.....       | 5  |
| <b>Alpestris</b> , white.....                                    | 5  |
| <b>Rosea</b> , fine rose color, (clivenden pink).....            | 5  |
| <b>Elegantissima</b> , beautiful pyramidal growth; mixed colors  | 10 |
| <b>Dwarf, Mixed Colors</b> , small bushy plants, large blossoms. | 10 |
| <b>Fairy Gem</b> . See Novelties.....                            | 10 |

## Mesembryanthemum.

Known as Ice Plant and Dew Plant. Elegant trailing plants, desirable for hanging pots or vases. The foliage is very beautiful, having the appearance of ice, or dew.

**Crystallinum**, (Ice Plant.) Its leaves glisten like ice..... 5

**Tricolor**, (Dew Plant), bears hundreds of pink flowers..... 5

## Nigella



NIGELLA HISPANICA.

1/2 SIZE

This old favorite garden annual has become almost unknown. In olden times it was as popular as the Hollyhock or Poppy, and like those flowers it has since been greatly improved, and is entitled to a place in every garden in the land, and we are offering it so cheap we hope all our customers will plant it; for the same amount of money you can get nothing which will be so greatly pleasing. The sorts here offered are of dwarf, compact growth and very showy either in foliage, flower

or seed pods. The blossoms are double and surrounded by a mist like veiling of finely cut foliage, on account of which they used to be called "Love-in-a-Mist." These improved sorts are so dwarf, compact and free flowering that each plant is in itself a beautiful bouquet of charming foliage and flowers.

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| <b>Dwarf White</b> , double.....   | 5 |
| <b>Dwarf Blue</b> , lovely color.....  | 5 |
| <b>Hispanica</b> . These Spanish Nigellas are valuable garden flowers, and as easily grown as a weed. Sow in open ground early. The foliage is very pretty, and the flowers are borne in the greatest profusion, are of various colors and exceedingly attractive. In any garden they will prove a novelty of great merit..... | 5 |

## Oxalis.

Few are aware that there are beautiful varieties of Oxalis, which are grown from seeds, and which bloom early and profusely all summer. Such is, however, a fact, and they are well worthy a place in every garden.

**Mixed Sorts**, various colors..... 10



NASTURTIIUM.

## Nasturtium.

Flame-colored blossoms on slender stems—  
Yellow and scarlet, and deep maroon—  
Holding erect their graceful heads  
That nod and glow in the sun of noon.

Beautiful blossoms so bright and gay,  
You teach a lesson we should not forget;  
For however dreary and dark the day,  
You do your best to brighten it.

For showy and constant bloom few garden flowers equal the old Nasturtium, which, by the way, has been greatly improved during the past few years, in colors and habit of growth. They are sure to bloom in any situation, hot or cold, wet or dry, and no garden can be complete without a fair representation of them.

Per pkt.

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| <b>Scarlet</b> , good bright color.....   | 5  |
| <b>Pure Yellow</b> .....  | 5  |
| <b>Pearl</b> , white, very fine.....  | 10 |
| <b>Spotted</b> .....  | 5  |
| <b>Rose</b> , fine rose color.....  | 5  |
| <b>Lady Bird</b> , new and very fine; bright yellow, marked with stripes and blotches of ruby crimson.....  | 10 |
| <b>Empress of India</b> , a grand new sort; very dwarf and compact in habit, the leaves being of a dark purplish color, while the flowers are of a deep brilliant crimson. A grand thing for edging or massing, both the foliage and flowers being very ornamental..... | 10 |
| <b>Mixed Seed</b> , of many colors (Dwarf Tom Thumb), per ounce, 20 cents.....  | 5  |

One paper each of above 8 kinds, 40 cents.

## Phacelia Campanularia.

A lovely annual, which when sown in the open ground May first, will begin blooming the first of June, and continue all summer in great profusion. The blossoms are of a most lovely shade of blue, cup shaped, erect. It will please all who see it..... 10

## Pansy.

It is needless for us to say anything in praise of this lovely flower. Everybody knows, loves, and cultivates the Pansy. They give such a profusion of bright bloom during the spring and autumn months that they are a necessity to every garden. We have taken the greatest pains to procure our seed from prize strains only, and it is unsurpassed. Seed can be sown at almost any time of the year, but the best time to sow for summer and fall show is early in spring. They will then bloom all summer and fall. For early spring show August or September is a good time to sow seed, giving the plants slight protection over winter, though they seldom winter kill. If seed is sown late, after the weather has become hot and dry, it should be sown in a cool, shady situation, and kept watered for Pansy seed will not germinate well when sown where it is exposed to the hot sun and drying winds. This is where many fail in getting seed to germinate quickly and well. In the garden, plants should have a good rich soil, which should be kept well hoed and free from weeds. All flowers should be









PORTULACA, DOUBLE ROSE FLOWERED.

## Pansy, Continued.

picked off as soon as they fade, for it allowed to form seed it will take so much of the strength of the plant that there will be a great falling off in the size and number of flowers.

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| <b>Extra Choice, Large Flowering</b> , mixed, a fine show strain. Per ¼ ounce, 50 cents..... | 5  |
| <b>Extra Select Large Belgian</b> , mixed colors, large and showy.....                       | 10 |
| <b>Snow Queen</b> , pure snow white, very large; a grand sort.....                           | 10 |
| <b>Yellow Bird</b> . See Novelties.....  | 15 |

**Giant Excelsior.** The gigantic size of the flowers, luxuriant growth, profusion of bloom, and exquisite blendings of gay and fantastic colors is utterly indescribable. Several years ago we introduced the Imperial Germans which at once took the first place among Pansies, and have since been the finest in cultivation in this country, and can now be surpassed only by the Giant Excelsiors. The growth and general habit of the Giant Excelsiors is compact, strong and bushy, showing at all times a remarkably healthy appearance. The gigantic flowers are produced in great numbers, and borne well above the foliage on strong stems. The flowers possess great substance, and keep perfect longer than most any other sorts. The colors are truly wonderful, including over a hundred different shades and combinations, with blendings and markings entirely new, and of most exquisite beauty. The flowers are borne in great profusion from May to November. The plants stand the hot, dry weather of summer to a remarkable degree, yielding flowers almost as large and free as in early spring.

**Imperial German.** Introduced by us several years ago, and have become so popular and well known that little need be said about them. Their characteristics are a compact habit, large and healthy foliage, and large sized flowers of great substance and beauty. They produce their large flowers throughout the entire summer. These Pansies have been widely sold and many inferior strains have been put on the market under their name. As the introducer we have the genuine stock, and offer the following 14 varieties.

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| <b>Cloriosa Perfecta</b> , reddish steel blue, with red and white rim. In this variety we have the finest combination of colors and the loveliest of all Pansies.....  | 15 |
| <b>Snow Fairy</b> , pure snow white, large and beautiful; splendid for cemeteries.....   | 10 |
| <b>Black Knight</b> , pure coal black, a rich and beautiful color.....   | 10 |
| <b>Thunder Cloud</b> , a large flower, deep coal black, with red and white rim. Extra fine.....  | 15 |
| <b>Azure Blue</b> , a lovely color for massing.....  | 10 |
| <b>Emperor William</b> , elegant deep blue.....  | 10 |
| <b>Little Red Riding Hood</b> , this is an entirely new and distinct color. The flowers are large, finely formed, and the most brilliant solid red color yet seen in Pansies. It is a charming novelty, but unfortunately does not always come true..... | 10 |
| <b>Deep Yellow</b> , very fine.....  | 10 |
| <b>Odier or Five-Spotted</b> , Mixed, flowers of various colors each having five spots.....  | 10 |
| <b>Large-Spotted</b> , Mixed, on white, yellow and red ground. They are grand.....   | 10 |

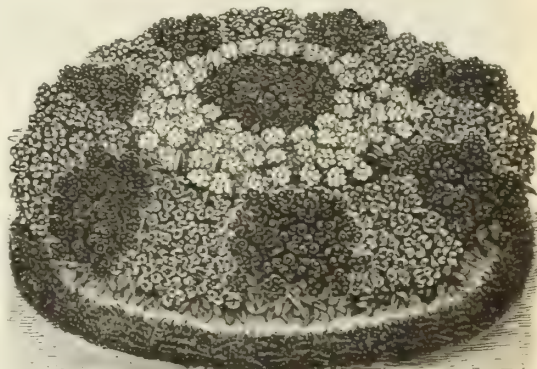
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| <b>Lord Beaconsfield</b> , (true). This is the true variety as grown by the originator. Very large size, lower petals deep purplish indigo, while the upper ones shade off to almost pure white..... | 10 |
| <b>Marbled, Mixed</b> , various colors, beautifully marbled.....   | 10 |
| <b>Striped, Mixed</b> , a fine variety of beautifully striped blossoms.....  | 10 |
| <b>Bronze Perfecta</b> , fine bronze.....  | 10 |
| <b>Mixed Seed</b> , of more than 50 distinct varieties of Imperial German, including the above 14 kinds.....   | 10 |
- Special Offer.** For only \$1.25 we will send one packet each of above 15 Imperial Germans, or for \$1.50 one packet each of all the 20 varieties we offer.

## Portulaca.

Well known hardy annuals which grow not more than six inches high, covering the ground in a beautiful carpet-like form of most vivid colors. A mass of double ones makes the most brilliant and gorgeous display that can be had among annuals. They do best in a hot, sunny situation, and no matter how dry the weather they will grow and flourish, even on very poor soil. For borders of beds they are very effective with their striking colors.

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| <b>Grandiflora, Mixed Colors</b> , white, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc.....  | 5  |
| <b>Double Rose-Flowered, Mixed Colors</b> , large blossoms as double as roses and of the greatest variety of colors and variegations. Our seed is the best in the market, and will produce large double flowers..... | 15 |
| <b>Double Yellow</b> , fine brilliant color.....   | 20 |
| “ <b>Scarlet</b> , clear and bright.....   | 20 |
| “ <b>White</b> , pure and beautiful.....   | 20 |

One paper each of above three colors, which will make a grand contrast, 50 cents.



A BED OF PHLOXES.



# Phlox Drummondii,

## Grandiflora.

Little need be said in favor of this grand annual. Everybody knows and cultivates it for its brilliant colors. It is truly called the "Flame Flower." A bed in bloom dazzles the eye with its brilliancy, and the different colors sown side by side produce a beautiful effect. Sow seed in the open ground early. We have discarded all Phloxes except the following new and improved Grandifloras. They are so much superior to the old sorts that it is folly to plant any other. The following collection will surprise those who plant them with their large size, brilliant colors, compact, bushy and free flowering habit.

- Coccinea**, large, dazzling scarlet..... 10
- Fancy Striped**, many colors all beautifully striped white 10
- Grover Cleveland**, a new sort of great beauty, being pure white with a brilliant crimson center. Very effective 10
- Rosea Alba Oculata**, fine brilliant rose with a large white eye..... 10



PHLOX, STELLATA.

- Violet Alba Oculata**, fine violet with white eye.... 10
- Alba**, large pure white..... 10
- Stellata**. The most beautiful and brilliant of all Phloxes yet introduced. Intense dazzling scarlet with a large white center, a striking contrast. It makes a most brilliant and dazzling mass of color all summer, and should have a place in every garden. For that reason we offer it extremely low. Our stock is strictly pure, the finest in the market..... 10
- Mixed Seed**, of 30 different colors..... 10
- Childs' Jubilee**. See Novelties..... 20



PHLOX, FIMBRIATA.

**Fimbriata**. This entirely new and distinct form of Phlox Drummondii, presents a feature of great oddity and beauty. The petals are beautifully fimbriated, most of them drawn out to long points, as shown in the cut, giving the flower a splendid long pointed, regular star like form, whose beauty is improved by broad white margins which border the edge of the petals. The flowers are usually of bluish purple colors, but we are fortunate enough to have a strain embracing nearly all the colors usually found in Phloxes, white, scarlet, pink, &c. This strain includes "Star of Quedinburg," "Cuspidata," "Fimbriata Purpurea," and all the sorts of like form which were offered in Germany last year under different names. Our strain is decidedly the finest in the market..... 15



PETUNIA, CHILDS' HYBRID.

## Petunia.

For years the Petunia has been one of the leading window and garden flowers and few can be more generally satisfactory. Always full of bloom, it is ever an object of great beauty. The double and large single sorts are usually selected for window culture, and bloom freely all times of the year. For bedding out in summer they are equally valuable. A bed of Petunias is a mass of gay colors from early spring to late fall.

- Childs' New Hybrids**, striped and blotched. A magnificent strain, producing a great profusion of crimson and white flowers, beautifully blotched, striped and marked. Flowers very large and plants completely covered with bloom the whole season..... 10
- Grandiflora, Mixed**, very large flowers, fine colors.... 5
- " Pure white..... 10
- Nana Compacta**. A beautiful new dwarf Petunia, which forms a dense round bush which is completely smothered with beautiful variegated blossoms all summer..... 20

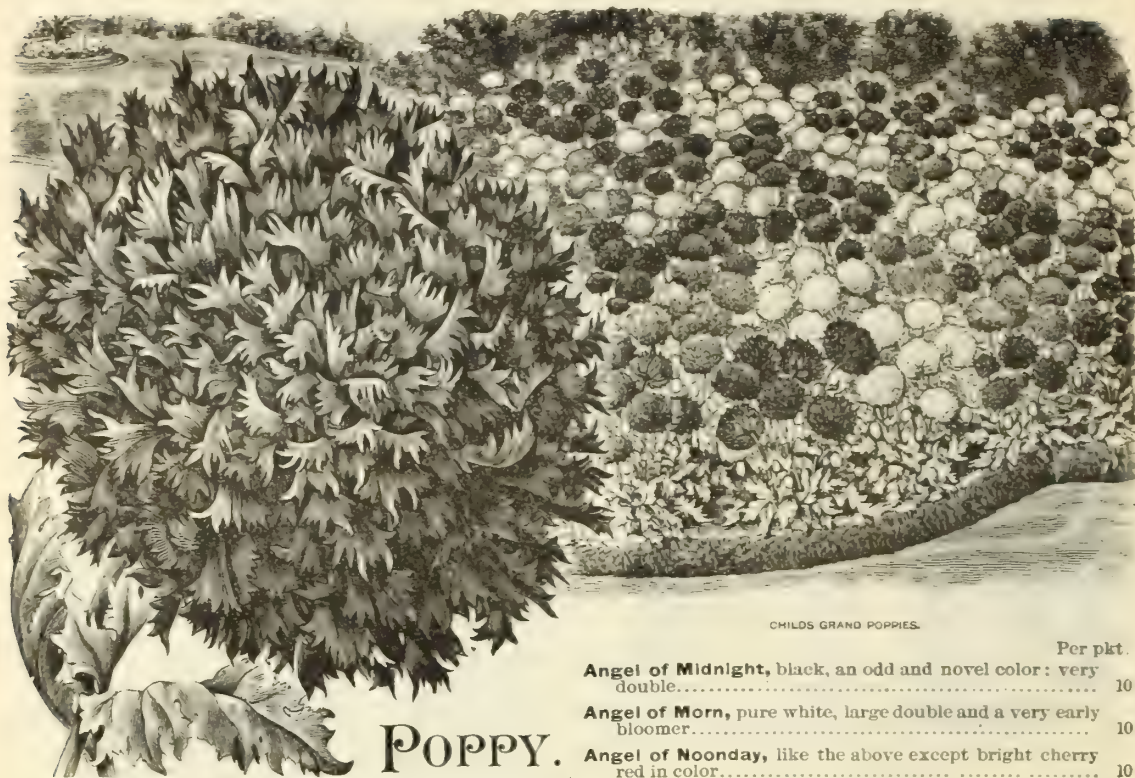


PETUNIA, QUEENS DOUBLE.

**New Queens Double**. These Petunias produce a great profusion of enormous double flowers, the shape of which is perfect, and the colors and variegations exquisite. They are equally beautiful and useful for pot plants in the house or for a grand display in the garden. About half the plants produced from double seed will be fine and double, the others single and semi-double. Plants from seed bloom 60 days from time of sowing... 25

**Titinia**. See Novelties..... 20





CHILDS GRAND POPPIES.

## POPPY.

This grand old flower is fast gaining the universal popularity which it justly merits. Having for years been crowded out of our gardens by the swarm of new comers, and forgotten, it has nevertheless kept pace with the march of improvement, and now comes around and surprises us with its new forms, new sizes, new colors, and the dear old flower, which our grandmothers loved so much, again occupies one of the first places in our gardens, and we are proud of it, and well we may be, for through June and July it stands without an equal, the showiest of all annuals. The Poppy is to-day occupying in popularity a place beside the Chrysanthemums, and even the Rose. We cannot wonder at this when we look upon their varied and brilliant colors and enormous double flowers, and see the ease by which they can be grown by anybody in any situation. Seed should be sown in the open ground as early in the Spring as possible. Our stock is the finest in the country, as the Poppy is one of our favorite flowers and we grow it in large quantity, usually an acre or more.

**Per pkt.**  
**Giant Carnation Flowered.** Flowers as large as a saucer and perfectly double and of beautiful shape. It is one of the very best, possessing a large range of very bright and beautiful colors. All colors mixed. .... 10

**African.** Mixed colors. For brilliant, dazzling colors these Poppies are equalled only by the Tulip. They are in bloom during the whole summer and make a show which has no rival. .... 5

**Childs' Great Peony-Flowered.** Mixed colors. This grand strain has been produced after many years of high cultivation. It grows three to four feet high and produces flowers which in size and colors are equal to Peonies. They are perfectly grand. .... 10

**Peacock. (Papava Umbrosa.)** This sort is of a compact growth, bearing great numbers of flowers on long wiry stems, and presents a graceful appearance and a most vivid display of color. Intense fiery scarlet with a black center. .... 5

**Japanese Pompon.** This splendid new Poppy flowered first at Floral Park the summer of 1888, we having imported the stock seed. It blooms very early and produces a great number of perfectly double blossoms, almost as round as a ball and about one-half the size of ordinary Poppies. They are gems of great beauty and present a wide range of the most gorgeous colors; scarlet, crimson, pink, rose, blush, lilac, white, mottled, fimbriated, etc. .... 10

**Angel of Evening,** bright rose; a lovely shade. .... 10

**Per pkt.**  
**Angel of Midnight,** black, an odd and novel color: very double. .... 10

**Angel of Morn,** pure white, large double and a very early bloomer. .... 10

**Angel of Noonday,** like the above except bright cherry red in color. .... 10

**Snowdrift.** We introduced this grand Poppy some years ago, and it is now acknowledged the finest sort in existence. It has a dwarf, stout habit peculiar to itself, flowers very large, perfectly double, and as round as a ball, and of the purest snow-white color. It always comes perfectly double, no single or semi-double flowers appearing at all. It is really the most beautiful white flower one can grow in the garden. As the introducers, we have the pure, genuine stock. Much inferior stock of this grand Poppy has been sold by unscrupulous parties. We are headquarters for pure seed. .... 10

**Shirley,** a novelty put out last year, but we find it is only a very choice selection of the African Poppy, which we have sold for years. The colors are mostly light, many having wide margins on the petals. The flowers are large, single, and extremely showy. It will give great satisfaction. .... 5

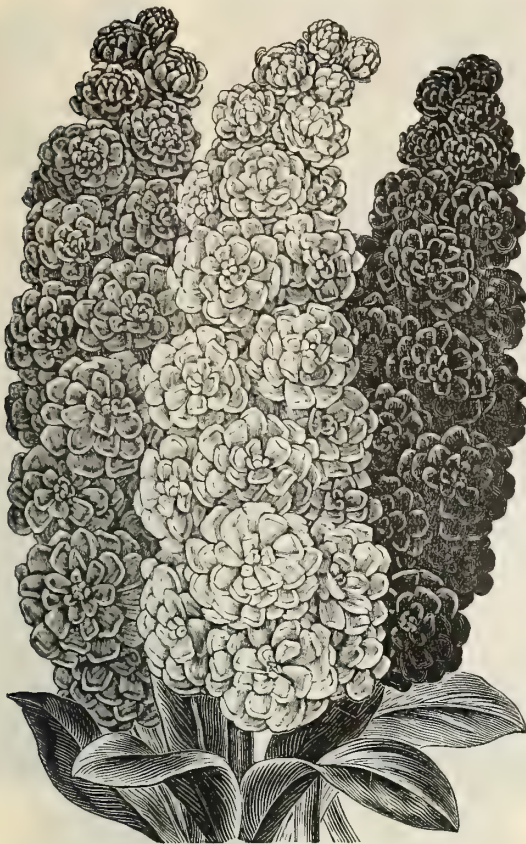
**Rosette.** See Novelties ..... 25

For 75 cents we will send one packet each of above 12 sorts.



SHIRLEY POPPIES.





TEN WEEKS STOCKS, GLOBE PYRAMIDAL.

## Ten Weeks Stocks.

The Stock is without doubt the most popular German flower. With its great variety of fine colors and large spikes of beautiful double, sweet-scented flowers, suitable either for garden or pot culture, it is certainly one of the most desirable of all flowers. We recommend starting seed under glass and transplanting to the garden about the first of June. For pot culture a four or five inch pot is suitable for one plant.

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| <b>Early Ten Weeks, 12 finest colors mixed.....</b> | <b>10</b> |
| “ “ Pure white, very sweet.....                     | 10        |
| “ “ Crimson.....                                    | 10        |
| “ “ Blue.....                                       | 10        |
| “ “ Yellow, new and fine.....                       | 10        |

One paper each of above four colors, 25 cents.

**Dwarf German, large flowering, mixed colors; extra fine** 10

**New Largest Flowering Globe Pyramidal, mixed colors; the finest of all Stocks. Immense spikes of large, perfect flowers in dense pyramidal form and of the most charming colors, and very fragrant; new.....** 15

## Salpiglossis.

The colors and markings of the Salpiglossis are most beautiful. The shape and size of the flower is similar to that of the Petunia, borne in great profusion and presents a very beautiful sight. It is a flower which will always please every one and should be more generally grown.

**Mixed Colors, very fine.....** 5

## Schizanthus.

The flowers look like beautiful little butterflies, and are borne in great number. In colors they are very fine, and should be more extensively cultivated. Try them and you will be greatly pleased.

**Mixed Colors.....** 5

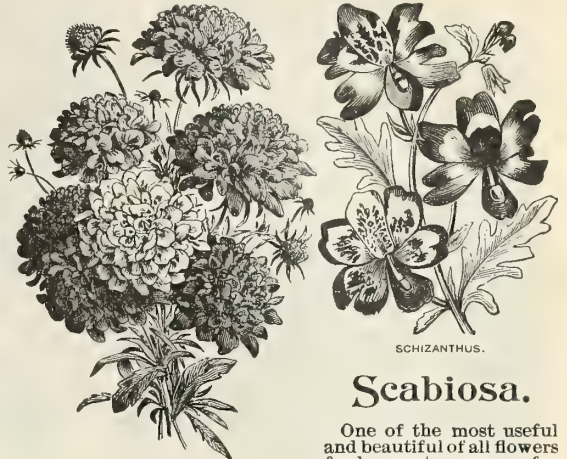
## Salvia.

These are among the finest of all bedding plants. Being tall growers they are useful for the centers of flower beds, or for a border to a bed of Cannas, etc. They all live and bloom during winter if placed in a window or conservatory. Start seed early under glass, except Carduacua, which can be sown in open ground. Per pkt.

**Splendens, large scarlet, exceedingly showy and useful for cutting, and for ornamental beds.....** 10

**Patens, a most lovely shade of blue.....** 25

**Carduacua, light blue.....** 5



SCHIZANTHUS.

## Scabiosa.

One of the most useful and beautiful of all flowers for bouquets, vases, or for any decorative purpose.

Many of the flowers are pure coal black, others black tipped with white, pink, maroon, etc. They make splendid clumps or masses by themselves, or mixed with other flowers. Sow seed very early in the open ground. They are among the easiest of all flowers to grow, and always sure to bloom well.

**Mixed Colors, (Mourning Bride).....** 5

**Double Mixed Colors, dwarf habit.....** 5

**Snow Ball. See Novelties.....** 15

**Golden Dwarf. See Novelties.....** 15



## Solanum.

A beautiful class of ornamental fruit bearing plants. Grown in pots they are very pretty with their abundance of bright-colored berries; in the garden they are also very showy. They are also closely allied to the Pepper. They are largely grown in pots for winter decoration, as it is very ornamental indeed when loaded with its beautiful fruit.

**Mixed sorts, all the best kinds.....** 5

## Schizopetalum.

A curious little annual which germinates quick and grows 6 to 8 inches high, producing freely, pretty snow-white laciniated flowers as seen in the cut. It is also very sweet scented. It grows freely and is one of the many odd and unknown little flowers which is sure to prove attractive.

**Walker, pure white and fragrant.....** 5

## Viola Tricolor or "Johnny Jumper."

This is the old-fashioned "Johnny Jumper" or "Ladies Delight," a small species of Pansy so popular years ago. It is yet beautiful and worthy of culture on account of its associations as well as its beauty..... 5





This is a well-known and universal favorite for both pot and open ground culture. A good bed of Verbenas is usually the most attractive spot in the garden. The seed we offer is saved from the finest named sorts, in fact, our Select Prize is the cream of the two finest collections known. Our Verbena seed cannot be excelled in any particular. Seed should be started in pots or frames and transplanted to the garden when large enough.

Per pkt.

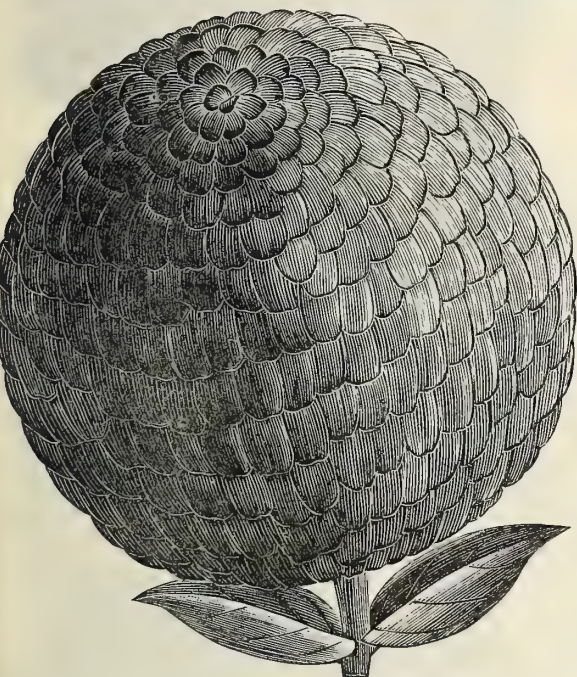
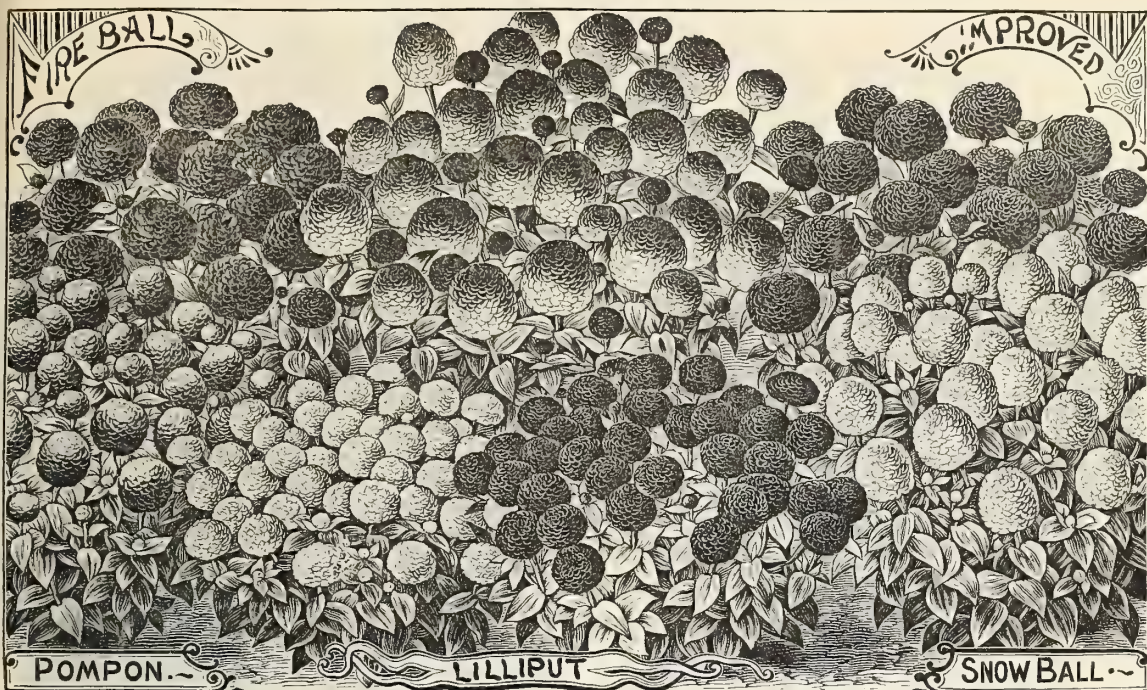
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| <b>Extra Choice Mixed</b> , from fine named sorts.....   | 10 |
| <b>Scarlet</b> , true and pure.....  | 10 |
| <b>Italian Striped</b> , fine stripes and variegations.....  | 10 |
| <b>Choicest Select Prize</b> , from select flowers of fifty of the finest named sorts; a magnificent range of colors,.....   | 25 |
| <b>Golden Bedder</b> , bright scarlet flowers with golden yellow foliage.....  | 25 |
| <b>Dark Cloud</b> , a new sort from France; fine, deep violet blue with white center.....  | 15 |
| <b>New Mammoth</b> , a fine new strain, of dwarf compact habit, with flowers often as large as a twenty-five cent piece, and borne in immense trusses. Their range of colors embraces everything found among Verbenas, except yellow.....  | 25 |
| <b>Sea Foam</b> , all that need be said of this fine new Verbena is that the flowers are sweet scented; trusses large and beautiful and borne freely at all times, and color snow white, always coming true from seed.....   | 10 |
| <b>Primrose</b> . We procured it in Europe several years ago, and 98 out of every 100 plants grown from seed will produce flowers of a beautiful, soft primrose yellow color, being the only yellowish shade found among Verbenas. The plant is a compact grower, making it well suited to pot as well as garden culture.....  | 20 |
| <b>Odorata</b> . This lovely Verbena possesses three great points of merit over other varieties, and they are such important ones that it will become a necessity to every garden. First, it is so hardy seed can be sown in the open ground early in the spring where they will quickly germinate, grow rapidly, and in a few weeks be in bloom, and give a great profusion of beautiful blossoms all summer. No garden flower is easier grown, for it is as sure to thrive as a Poppy or pig weed. Second, the blossoms instead of being in <i>clusters</i> like other sorts run up into <i>spikes</i> , usually 3 or 4 inches long, as shown in the cut. Third, it is very sweet scented. We have probably said enough to make every one want it, |    |

but we have yet to say that the flower is *pure white*, that the plant is short jointed and dwarf, not covering nearly as much ground as other sorts, and it is a perfect mass of bloom all summer. Also, that it always comes perfectly true from seed.....Per pkt. 10



VERBENA ODORATA





## Childs' Superb Zinnias.

Our Zinnias have for years been the admiration of all who saw them, and have never failed to take first prize whenever or wherever exhibited, but we believe we are still further improving them every year. It is, indeed, a grand flower, as large and double as a Dahlia and of a great variety of fine colors. A bed of Zinnias makes a grand show and is always greatly admired, being constantly in bloom from the last of June until killed by autumn frosts. If there are any people

who pretend not to like Zinnias, let them try our seeds, and they will at once change their minds. We know that our Zinnias are the best to be had anywhere in the wide world. Seed can be sown in open ground quite early. Set plants one to two feet apart. Per pkt.

**Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors**, saved only from select flowers of the largest size, most perfect form and best colors. Every plant will produce large double flowers, brilliant in color and perfect in form. This is the finest strain of Double Zinnias in cultivation... 10

**Grandiflora**. Introduced by a German house and has proved to be very fine. Flowers very double, often fifteen inches in circumference, with colors as brilliant as the Phlox. Our bed of one-third acre of these Zinnias attracted great attention at Floral Park the past summer..... 10

**Fire Ball**, dazzling fiery scarlet, very double, (no single or imperfect ones at all appearing), nearly as round as a ball, and borne in such profusion as to completely cover the plants, which are of a dwarf, compact, bushy habit. It makes a splendid border or mass, its bright color showing to great advantage..... 10

**Snow Ball**, exactly like Fire Ball in all respects except color, which is pure snow white, very fine and contrasts finely with the scarlet..... 10

**Double Yellow**, extra fine, with very large blossoms of the brightest yellow. Makes a fine contrast with Fire Ball and Snow Ball..... 10

**New Pompon, Mixed Colors**, the flowers are about half the size of ordinary Zinnias, very double and of the most beautiful and perfect form and vivid colors; scarlet, rose, pink, white, violet, yellow, orange, etc. They bloom profusely and are very showy. This is one of the very best seed novelties in a long time, and was introduced by us four years ago, since when we have improved and brought them to their present state of high perfection. Plant a bed of these elegant Zinnias by all means..... 10

**Lilliput**. (New, 1889) Our Zinnias are famous the world over, and we are pleased to be able to add to their renown by the introduction of a few and distinct strain or great beauty. The plants grow only about half the size of ordinary Zinnias, branching and blooming freely, the blossoms being very small, only one-half the size of the Pompons. They are very double and perfect, and of exceedingly brilliant colors. These beautiful little Zinnias are truly gems, which all lovers of flowers will appreciate..... 15

One packet each of above 7 Zinnias for 60 cents. They will make a magnificent bed.



# ORNAMENTAL FOLIAGE PLANTS.

**T**HESE are indispensable to every garden. Foliage plants are in their way just as important a feature to a garden or lawn as flowers. For large show beds or clumps for centers or borders of beds of flowers, foliage plants are a necessity. Ricinus and Cannabis make some of the grandest show beds, while for bordering walks, etc., the Centaurea, Glaucium, Pyrethrum and Perilla, are among the finest of all plants. They are all easily grown from seed, and if started early under glass, their season of beauty in the garden will be all the longer.



## Amaranthus.

Well grown specimens make the finest foliage plants that can be grown in the open air. Their leaves are all the colors of the rainbow, and the plants are graceful and beautiful in habit. Salicifolius is like a fountain with rainbow colors.

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| Salicifolius, (Fountain Plant), magnificent.....   | Per pkt. 5 |
| Tri-Color, (Joseph's Coat), leaves red, green and yellow...  | 5          |
| Cibbosus, a fine new sort, growing from 4 to 6 feet high, with long graceful, drooping chains of deep crimson bloom which is exceedingly showy. In both flower and foliage it is extremely ornamental, and easily grown..  | 10         |
| Rainbow. We wish each one of our customers could have had the past summer just such a bed of this gorgeous plant as we had. Plants grow 2 to 3 feet high in beautiful pyramidal spirals of thick foliage. Each leaf is composed of two colors, half green and half a dull black. In August the leaves on the upper part of the branches turn to the most brilliant colors, intense scarlet, rose, pink, amaranth, yellow, orange, etc., presenting a display which few plants can equal. They are indeed a blaze of glory. As pot plants we believe they will also rank high, as well as for open ground culture. Seed can be sown in the open ground early..... | 10         |



CENTAUREA, CLEMENTEI.

## Centaurea.

The silver leaved Centaureas, of which the two following are the best, are extensively grown for bordering. They form compact plants with large fern-like, silvery white leaves which are very beautiful. With good protection they stand the winter and are useful the second season.

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| Cymnocarpa, old and highly esteemed.....  | 5  |
| Clementei, beautiful compact, wavy foliage. Fine also for pots and baskets..... | 10 |

## Canna.

Stately and highly ornamental foliage plants, growing from 5 to 10 feet high, and forming a most beautiful object for the lawn or for large circular beds. Some have light green leaves and others of a brownish red color. The flowers are of scarlet and yellow colors and showy. Soak the seed well in hot water before sowing.

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| Mixed Sorts.....                                      | 5  |
| Cozy's New Large Flowering, grand, see novelties..... | 30 |



BETA, ORNAMENTAL FOLIAGE.

## Beta.

In Europe the foliage Beets have long stood in the front ranks for ornamental bedding, and the new and improved sorts are now coming into great favor in this country. They are indeed among the most effective bedding plants, producing immense leaves, often two feet long and eight or nine inches broad, beautifully colored and crinkled. The three following sorts are the best. Planted in a bed together, one foot apart each way they are grand. One great feature of these Beets is the fact that frost does not kill them, but only colors their leaves all the brighter, (like a fancy Caladium) and until they are covered with snow they are objects of great beauty. When all other plants have been destroyed by frost, the Beets and Kalees are seen at their best. Don't fail to try them.

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| Scarlet Ribbed, beautiful large leaves, ribbed with scarlet..... | 10 |
| Yellow Ribbed, fine yellow.....                                  | 10 |
| Silver Curled, beautiful silvery white.....                      | 10 |

One packet each of the 3 sorts, 25 cents.

## Cineraria.

An old, popular silvery foliage plant, extensively grown in pots and for borders, commonly known as "Dusty Miller," the leaves looking as though they were covered with flour.

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| Maritima, fine ornamental leaves..... | 5 |
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VASE OF ORNAMENTAL KALE.

## Ornamental Kale.

The Kales belong to the Cabbage family and are by many considered to be the finest of the whole tribe. The large fleshy leaves and stems are, when properly cooked, even more delicate than the Cauliflower. It should not be eaten until the frost has touched it, and from that on through the winter it is a most delicious vegetable. As an ornamental plant its elegantly curled and colored leaves make it one of the most useful foliage plants for ornamental bedding. These leaves turn at the touch of frost to various colors, some very dark deep red; others pink, rose, fine shades of olive, etc., and remain all through the fall and winter in the most beautiful state, and form a bed of great beauty. As you will see by the cut, the foliage is highly ornamental in shape, but when well colored up it is grand.

- Dwarf Purple Curled**, fine large purple leaves..... 10
- Mosback Winter**, medium height, fine..... 10
- Palm Tree**, tall and very showy..... 10
- Mixed Sorts**, all the finest striped and variegated forms.. 10



KALE, DWARF PURPLE CURLED.



GLAUCIUM.

## Glaucium

A hardy plant which lives in the garden all winter and makes an elegant and permanent border or mass. The foliage is silvery white, fern like and very beautiful. On account of its hardiness it is one of the most valuable ornamental foliage plants for bordering. The second year it produces a profusion of large showy blossoms of a bright yellow color. The cut represents a plant in bloom.

**Leteum**, flowers golden yellow, large and showy like a big yellow poppy..... 5



PERILLA.

## Perilla.

A new dwarf form, growing not over a foot high; compact and bushy with large black leaves finely lanceolated. Its color and form makes it an odd and striking object, and highly ornamental. It is fully equal to the best dark Coleus for bedding. Sow seed in the open ground early.

- Laciniatus**, very ornamental..... 5

## Pyrethrum.

This is the well known and ever beautiful "Golden Feather," with its mass of golden yellow foliage, standing our winters and showing to good advantage at all times. The color of its foliage makes it very ornamental, and a striking contrast to Perilla and Glaucium. It flowers the second season.

- Aureum**, white flowers, golden yellow foliage..... 5

## Ricinus.

For large showy clumps on the lawn, or for centers of large beds, nothing equals the Ricinus save the Canna. It is the largest and grandest of ornamental foliage plants, and has a truly tropical appearance, always attracting great attention. For small beds the dwarf sort, Minor, is splendid. Also, for planting on the outside of a bed of larger growing varieties, like Giganteus. It seems strange to us that these elegant plants are not more generally grown. A bed of them at Floral Park the past summer, excited great admiration. Some of the tallest in the center grew fifteen feet high. Plants should be staked to prevent strong winds from blowing them over. Sow seed in April, under glass if possible, that they may get a good start.

- Giganteus**, plants and leaves of enormous size, 15 feet... 5
- Sanguineus**, splendid red fruit in cluster, 10 feet..... 5
- Cambodgensis**. See Novelties..... 20
- Special Offer.** For \$1.00 we will send one packet each of the 22 foliage plants.





BED OF EVENING BLOOMING FLOWERS.

## EVENING BLOOMERS.

WE rejoice that people are beginning to appreciate evening flowers. Charming as they are they have long been neglected, but in future we shall find in nearly every garden a bed of evening flowers which will be a center of attraction. Do not understand that "Evening" flowers are in bloom only at night. Far from it. As a rule they open about four o'clock in the afternoon, and remain in full glory until ten or eleven o'clock the next day. They are all fragrant, and some of them are among the fairest and sweetest floral gems. Plant a bed of evening flowers and when you walk in your garden during the pleasant hours of twilight and early morn, you will bless the charming *Enotheras*, the sweet *Nicotiana*, the great Silvery Moonflower, *Daturas*, and the brilliant *Mirabilis*, as they look up to you with so much charming beauty and sweetness.



ENOTHERA DRUMMONDII.

### *Enothera*, or Evening Primrose.

Few garden flowers are more charming than the Evening Primroses, with their large saucer shaped blossoms, delightful perfume and soft pure colors of white and yellow shades. Sow seed early in the open ground and they will soon be up and blooming and continue all summer, delighting every one who sees them.

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| <b>Grandiflora Odorata</b> , flower stems of this sort grow a foot or more in height, bearing brilliant yellow blossoms two to three inches across. Exceedingly sweet and beautiful.....       | 10 |
| <b>Acaulis</b> , silvery white blossoms of enormous size, often as big as a Moonflower. Very fragrant and striking   | 5  |
| <b>Drummondii</b> , a lovely variety, which trails on the ground like a Verbena, and bears very large blossoms, some bright yellow and others pale straw color. Very desirable for edging..... | 10 |
| <b>Lamarckiana</b> , a tall growing sort with large brilliant yellow blossoms.....   | 5  |

### Moonflower.

Plants of this beautiful vine grown from seed do not commence blooming as early as cutting plants, and should therefore be started as early as convenient. They grow very freely from seed however, and make strong, rank vines, which produce an endless number of flowers.

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| <b>Ipomæa Noctiphiton</b> , (Moonflower), large; white..... | 10 |
| " <b>Childs</b> , Giant Moonflower.....                     | 20 |



## Nicotiana.

This plant grows three feet high and branching, and produces hundreds of white, tubular, fragrant flowers. It blooms in the evening, filling the atmosphere with its peculiar odor, similar to that of *Lilium Longiflorum*. The lasting quality of these flowers for bouquets is wonderful. If cut in the evening and kept out of the sunshine they will remain perfect a week, filling the rooms with perfume every evening. Sow early; transplant to three feet apart; it is truly a novelty of great value. In a bed of Evening flowers it should occupy the center.

Per pkt. 10

**Affinis** ..... 10  
**Decarrens**, new dwarf; see novelties ..... 20



NICOTIANA, AFFINIS.

## Gommelina.

A very pretty flower of a lovely blue color, appearing late in the evening and lasting till noon the next day. Seed sown in the open ground in May will commence flowering in July. The plants form a tuberous root something like a Dahlia, which can be wintered in the cellar and planted out the next spring, and it will commence flowering at once. It is a lovely little flower and should have a place in every garden.

**Tuberosa**, fine blue, growing one foot high ..... 10



COMMELINA.

## Mathiola.

A variety of the Ten Weeks Stock, which is hardy and robust, so that seed can be sown in the open ground early. It will commence blooming in June, producing at evening a great profusion of fragrant blossoms.

**Bicornis**, light lilac pink, very sweet and desirable ..... 10

## Mirabilis, (Four O'Clock.)

This is one of the most brilliant and showy plants that can be grown with little or no trouble. Plant in clumps or masses and they will make a dazzling bed during the afternoon and morning. Though old, this brilliant flower has been greatly improved of late years and is now one of the most valuable annuals for a mass of color.

**Improved Mixed Colors**, white, scarlet, crimson, yellow, violet, variegated, etc. No flower has clearer, brighter colors than these improved *Mirabilis* ..... 5

**Tom Thumb**, (new dwarf) mixed colors. These new *Mirabilis* are a charming addition to garden annuals. They grow about 15 inches high, forming a dense, bushy plant, covered with a mass of yellowish foliage thickly studded with beautiful blossoms. The plants are such solid masses of bright foliage and flowers that they are exceedingly attractive ..... 10



MIRABILIS, TOM THUMB.

## Datura "Sweet Nightingale."

This was one of our very finest novelties last year, and it is a plant which will adorn any garden and add to its beauty. It is closely allied to the Grand Brugmansia, offered among "Specialties and Novelties," and like that plant it possesses a striking beauty not often seen, its enormous flowers attracting every eye. It is a grand evening flower, opening about sunset and lasting till near noon the next day. Flowers, pure white, 9 inches long and 5 or 6 inches wide at the top. Its delicious fragrance fills the evening air and can be detected a long distance. It is a free bloomer producing one or more flowers every evening all summer. Seed can be sown in the open ground or started in pots.

Per pkt. 15

**Sweet Nightingale**, or Evening Ghost Flower ..... 15



**SPECIAL OFFER.**—The above 12 varieties of evening bloomers form our "Whippoorwill Collection," blooming as they do when that enchanter of the night pours forth its saddest and sweetest of song. We will send the entire collection, one paper each of the 12 varieties for only 75 cents.

## The Sun's Wooing.

The Primrose sleeps, while I am passionately wide awake—  
 The whole day long I have been near to warm her into life,  
 And yet she moves not, opens not her leaves to let me take—  
 Ere I must go—the one fond kiss for which I madly yearn.

I who can woo all other flowers to smile, am baffled here;  
 What care I, though I kiss the Rose, proud queen of gardens gay;

I long to touch the fragrant lips of her who has no peer;  
 Only to feel her subtle heath, I lengthen out the day.

But now, I fain must go, the night wind whispers to me low;  
 "Leave thou my love, she trembles neath your gaze." I blush  
 and cry,  
 "Farewell, cold one," and as I sink from sight in crimson glow—

The golden glory of the Evening Primrose greets the eye.

—Mary Scott Boyd.



# ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

One of the most interesting and useful classes of garden plants are the Climbers. For making screens, covering fences, old trees, arbors, porches, etc., they are useful adornments to every home garden. In fact, a good variety of climbers is quite necessary for the good purposes which they serve, to say nothing of their graceful beauty. Some of the kinds, like Sweet Peas and Maurandya, make elegant summer hedges, and furnish abundance of choice flowers. Our collection of Sweet Peas is particularly fine.



COBÆA SCANDENS

## Gobæa.

A fine tall-growing climber with large bell-shaped blossoms. A rapid grower, best suited for sheltered situations. Fine for greenhouses.

Scandens, fine purplish blue..... 10



CYPRESS VINE.

CANARY BIRD FLOWER.

## Canary Bird Flower.

A climber with beautiful cut leaves and elegant canary-colored blossoms. Fine for windows or sheltered situations. A good winter bloomer in the greenhouse. It is one of the most beautiful of all climbers, its elegant foliage adding so much to the beauty of the blossoms.

*Tropæolum Canariensis*, Canary Bird Flower..... 10

## Convolvulus.

The well-known Morning Glory. A fine hardy and rapid grower, which always gives great satisfaction. They bloom early in the morning, and during the forenoon are brilliant with scores of beautiful flowers of various colors, white, pink, blue, scarlet, variegated, etc.

Major, mixed, all colors, per oz., 15 cents. .... 5

## Crucel Plant.

Per pkt.

A beautiful climber, bearing long sprays of elegant bell-shaped white blossoms. It takes its name from the fact that butterflies, moths and like insects, sucking honey from its sweet blossoms, are caught and securely held, and die. It is a beautiful pot plant as well as a fine garden climber..... 25

## Cypress Vine.

One of the most elegant of climbers, forming a dense mass of finely cut foliage thickly set with white and scarlet star-shaped blossoms.

Mixed Colors..... 5

## Dolichos.

Though not so common as the Sweet Pea, this beautiful flowering Bean is worthy of a place in every garden. It is a rapid grower, and produces its lovely flowers in dense clusters.

Lablab, two colors mixed, white and purple..... 5



GOURDS.

## Gourds, (Ornamental.)

A very useful and ornamental class of rapid growing climbers. The fruit is of various shapes and colors, some very large and others very small. All are hard shelled and will keep for years, never decaying. They are all large and rapid growing climbers, best suited for fences or brush. See other useful and ornamental Gourds in list of Vegetable Seeds.

All the best sorts, mixed..... 5

## Ipomœa.

Closely allied to and much like the Morning Glories. The flowers are larger and the colors more elegant. They are tall and rapid growers and will give great satisfaction.

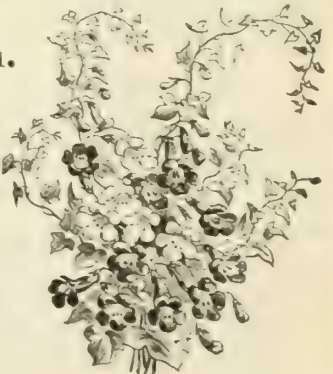
Mixed Colors, very beautiful..... 5

**Beauty of Floral Park.** A beautiful climber, resembling in flower and habit of growth the Morning Glory. Its leaves are light green, variegated with white, while its large blossoms are of deep magenta red, with a broad white border. It blooms very freely and is truly a most lovely climber..... 10

## Maurandya.

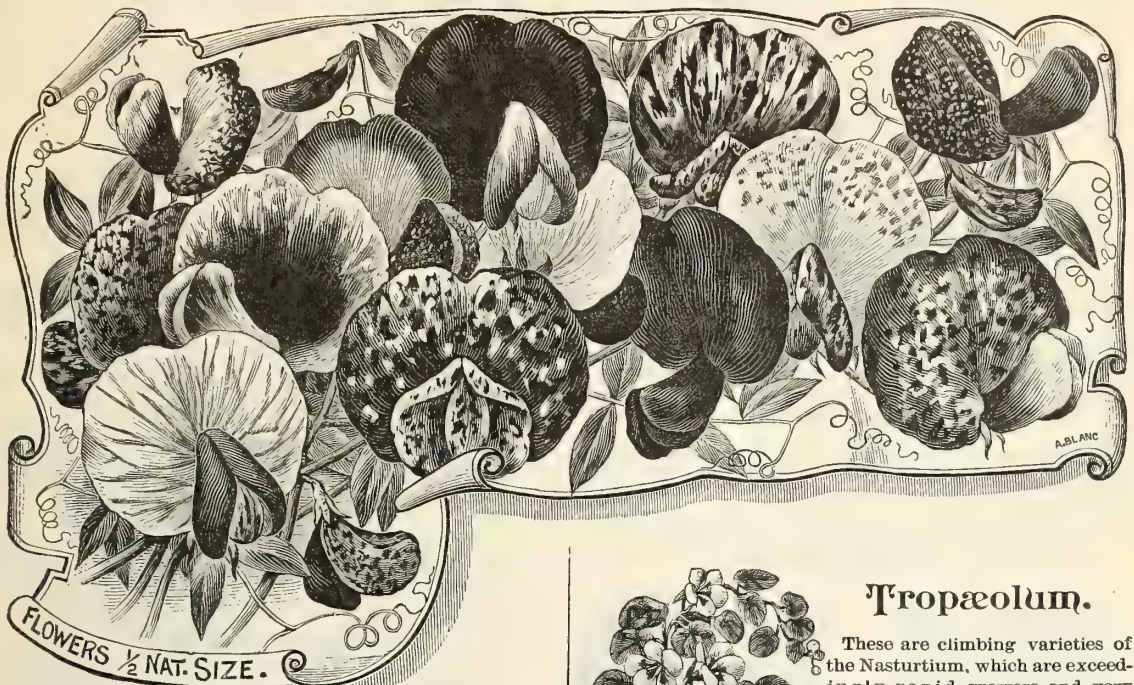
Started early and planted out in May this makes one of the finest of all climbers. It trails beautifully over fences and walls, and its dense green foliage is not killed by the first fall frosts. It keeps to late autumn and is gay with a profusion of white, rose and violet blossoms. Start seed early as possible.

Mixed Colors, white, rose, purple, etc..... 5



MAURANDYA.





## Sweet Peas.

This is our favorite flower, and in writing about it we feel we can never say enough to do justice to its great beauty and fragrance. The Pansy, the Aster, the Poppy, the Verbena, etc., all have their ardent admirers, but to us give the delicately beautiful, yet brilliant and fragrant Sweet Pea. For hedges or masses in the garden, trained on brush or strings, they are exceedingly showy, but for cutting for bouquets, vases, corsage or buttonhole wear, no flower except the Rose, can equal them. Sweet Peas are so cheap and easily grown, there is no reason why every one should not have them in abundance. To succeed best, sow seed as early as the ground can be worked in the spring. They will soon be out of ground and will need be supported with brush or strings. They commence blooming early, and if the flowers are picked as fast as they fade, will continue all summer. If allowed to form seed they will soon stop flowering and die down. The Sweet Pea is to-day one of the most popular garden flowers. Their pretty colors and delightful perfume makes them one of the most charming flowers. In weight we sell more Sweet Peas than any other kind of seed we handle. Plant a good lot for the beautiful bouquets of sweet blossoms they will yield you. The collection here offered is superb, all new and improved varieties of great beauty.

|   | Per pkt. | oz. |
|---|----------|-----|
| <b>Scarlet Invincible</b> , fine deep scarlet.....  | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Pure White</b> , splendid.....   | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Adonis</b> , new carmine rose, fine.....   | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Black</b> , dark purple black.....   | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Butterfly</b> , white, laced with blue; extra.....   | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Crown Princess</b> , bright blush; lovely.....   | 10       | 40  |
| <b>Dark Red</b> , rich and fine.....  | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Fairy Queen</b> , white and rose.....  | 10       | 40  |
| <b>Grand Blue</b> , new and superb.....   | 15       | 50  |
| <b>Indigo King</b> , deep blue; new.....  | 20       | 75  |
| <b>Princess of Wales</b> , white striped blue and purple.....   | 20       | 75  |
| <b>Queen of the Isles</b> , scarlet mottled white and purple.....   | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Painted Lady</b> , lovely pink and white.....  | 5        | 20  |
| <b>Violet Queen</b> , fine violet; new.....   | 10       | 30  |
| <b>Vesuvius</b> . This is unlike any Sweet Pea hitherto known. The upper petals are distinctly spotted on a rosy ground color, shading into purple at the throat; the lower petals, or standard, are of a velvety violet, shading off into lilac toward the edge..... | 10       | 40  |
| <b>Mixed Colors</b> , of all the above, and many others; extra fine quality; per lb., \$1.....  | 5        | 15  |
| <b>Special Offer.</b> For only 75 cents we will send one packet each of above 15 grand sorts.   |          |     |

## Tropæolum.

These are climbing varieties of the Nasturtium, which are exceedingly rapid growers and very showy. The Lobbianum are the best adapted for window or greenhouse climbers, and produce flowers in great profusion. Very fine for winter blooming. Per pkt.

**Mixed Colors**,..... 5

**Lobbianum**, mixed colors. Splendid for house culture in winter or summer, giving a great profusion of brilliant bloom..... 10

**Lobbianum**, Spitfire, intense fiery scarlet; fine..... 10



TROPÆOLUM, LOBBIANUM.



THUNBERGIA.

## Thunbergia.

Very fine trailing plants, producing masses of pretty flowers. When allowed to trail on the ground they make a beautiful bed. The colors are delicate and beautiful.

**Mixed Colors**,..... 10

## Our "Popular Collection of Climbers."

For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of the following, all mixed colors: Cobæa, Cypress Vine, Convolvulus, Canary Bird Flower, Dolichos, Gourds, Ipomæa, Maurandya, Sweet Pea, Tropæolum, and Thunbergia. At regular prices, they amount to 70 cents. In ordering, simply ask for "Popular Collection of Climbers." 11 packets for 50 cents.



# Everlasting Flowers.

These are justly very popular, not only for their summer display in the garden but they retain their beauty for years by being cut and dried, and may be made up into various forms for parlor and festive decorations and used at a time when it is impossible to have fresh cut flowers. Plant a good variety of Everlastings and dry them for winter decorations, and you will ever thank yourself for doing it.

## Ammobium.

Bears great numbers of small blossoms as double as Roses. Seeds can be sown early in open ground. Per pkt.

**Alatum**, pure white, double..... 5

## Acroclinium.

A free growing Everlasting with very delicate colored flowers which have golden yellow centres. One of the best of all everlastings.

**Mixed Colors**, white and rosy pink..... 5

**New Double**, a fairly good double form of this fine old everlasting flower has at last been produced. It is represented by both colors, white and rose .. 10



AMMOBIUM.

GOMPHRENA.

## Gomphrena.

Known as Globe Amaranthus, and is a species of the Cockscorn; with good sized blossoms as round as a ball. Start in a frame or pot, if possible, and transplant to open ground.

**All Colors, Mixed**, white, crimson, orange, etc..... 5



HELICHRYSUM.

## Helichrysum.

This is probably the most valuable of all Everlastings. Its large flowers are perfectly double and of the most brilliant

colors. Cut the flowers when they first begin to expand and dry with the stems straight. Seed can be sown in open ground quite early. Per pkt.

**Monstrosum**, mixed colors, very large..... 5

**Dwarf**, mixed colors, compact and free flowering... 5

**Fire Ball**, deep fiery red, large and double; new.... 10

**Golden Ball**, golden yellow; new ..... 10

**Snow Ball**, pure white..... 10

**Clowing Coal**. The flowers are very large, double and perfect, and of a brilliant carmine-red color. The plant is a strong grower and a great bloomer.... 15

## Gnaphalium.

A fine Everlasting, bearing its large straw colored blossoms in clusters of six to ten. It is very fine and but little known.

**Foetidum**.....

## Helipterum.

A valuable sort, bearing compact clusters of bright golden flowers. They dry finely and keep well.

**Sanfordi**, fine yellow..... 5

## Rhodanthe.

An exceedingly beautiful flower, and one which possesses a grace and beauty seldom seen. As an Everlasting it is indispensable, and as a pot or garden flower it is elegant. Seed sown in early spring or winter and grown in pots blooms in a short time and makes a most magnificent display. Sown later in the open ground they are a grand summer flower. For drying they are very graceful and pretty made up into dry bouquets.

**Manglesi**, splendid, bright rosy pink.... 5

**Alba**, pure white..... 5



RHODANTHE.

## Xeranthemum.

A very desirable class of free-flowering Everlastings. It furnishes about the only blue color we have in Everlastings. Easily grown from seed in open ground.

**Mixed Colors**..... 5

**Superbissima**, new, double blue; very fine..... 10

## Ornamental Grasses.

These are most useful and necessary to cut and dry for making up with bouquets of Everlastings. They are elegant and graceful and equally valuable as Everlastings for decorative purposes. They can be sown in any waste or out-of-the-way place in large quantity.

**All the Best Varieties, Mixed**... ..per ½ oz., 25 cts. 5

**Special Offer.**—One packet each of all these 17 Everlastings and Grasses for \$1.00.



# HARDY PERENNIALS,

WHICH FLOWER THE SECOND SEASON.

IN this list are offered only such Hardy Plants as live in the ground over Winter, and bloom profusely every year after the first. The fact that they do not bloom the first year should not deter any one from planting them for they are among the very best of all garden flowers, and require the least care and attention. They mostly bloom early when there are no other flowers. What could we do without the Aquilegias, Delphiniums, Digitalis, Hollyhocks, Picotees, Sweet Williams, etc.? A garden would seem no garden at all to us without a good variety of Hardy Perennials. Seed can be sown in the open ground from May to middle of July. Sow a good collection of these seeds this spring and you will ever after thank yourself for it.

## Alyssum.

Similar to the Sweet Alyssum in form of flower, but blooms very early in spring and is very showy. Per pkt.

**Saxatile**, golden yellow; fine..... 5

## Aquilegia.

The well-known Columbines are a showy June flower and always greatly admired. They should have a place in every garden.

**Cærulea**, a new sort having a great profusion of blue and white flowers; exceedingly fine..... 5

**New Double White**, splendid..... 10

**Chrysantha**, new, beautiful yellow..... 10

**Prize Mixture**. This strain a fancier has been over seven years collecting and improving, and it embraces more than one hundred varieties, double and single, and of all shapes and colors. Nothing like it was ever before offered in this country, and it will prove a prize to any one, being so hardy and flourishing and blooming year after year..... 10

## Adonis.

A magnificent plant, producing in early spring large flowers which are exceedingly showy. It should be more generally grown as it blooms at a time when such bright flowers are always greatly appreciated. Try it by all means.

**Vernalis**, bright yellow..... 5

## Campanula.

The well-known and very popular Canterbury Bells. They bloom very early in spring when flowers are scarce.

**Double, Mixed Colors**..... 5



PRIMULA JAPONICA.

PRIMULA CORTUSOIDES.

## Delphinium.

These grow several feet high and bear immense spikes of beautiful blossoms. They bloom early in spring and again in summer and fall, which makes them particularly desirable.

Per pkt.

**Hybrids**, extra fine, mixed colors..... 5

## Gladiolus.

The most beautiful Gladiolus we have, we grow from seed. Sow in light soil and give protection until they germinate. They bloom the second and third year.

**Lemoine's Hybrids**, mixed colors. Seed saved from this elegant new class of hardy Gladiolus, and will produce a grand variety of bloom. They are among the most beautiful Gladiolus in cultivation. Try them.....10

**Giant-Flowered French**. These are really the finest Gladiolus to be had, and are easily raised from seed. They have gigantic spikes and blossoms of the most varied and beautiful colors, and perfect form. Try them by all means, and raise a nice lot of bulbs.....10



DIGITALIS.

## Hyacinthus Candicans.

This fine hardy bulb grows splendidly from seed. It is one of the most beautiful of all plants, bearing large spikes of bell-shaped white flowers during August and September..... 10

## Hardy Primulas.

The following fine species are perennials which live and bloom year after year in the open ground. They are hardy with slight protection and require the same treatment as Pansies and Daisies.

**Auricula**, very beautiful indeed, with rich and striking colors. They bloom in clusters, and are always greatly admired..... 10

**Cortusoides**, deep rose in beautiful umbels, very hardy.. 10

**Eilatour**, (true Oxslip), pale yellow, drooping..... 5

Double..... 15

**Japonica, Mixed Colors**, flowers in umbel spikes of various colors and very fine. One of the most beautiful hardy perennials..... 15

**Farinosa**, (Bird's Eye), light purple with yellow eye.... 10

**Officinalis**, (Cowslip), bright yellow in umbels..... 5

One paper each of these 7 Hardy Primulas, 50 cents.



## Digitalis.

These, the well-known Fox Gloves, are one of the finest June flowers. Spikes of bloom two feet long are produced in abundance and are very fine. Per Pkt.

**Gloxinoides**, mixed colors, variegated with elegant  
Gloxinia spots..... 5



## Hollyhocks.

Our strain of double Hollyhocks is truly grand. Flowers very large and perfectly double, colors very brilliant, embracing yellow, lemon, white, black, rose, pink, deep red, variegated, etc. They produce spikes of bloom four and five feet long, which are exceedingly showy for backgrounds, against walls or fences, or for centers of beds. The Hollyhock is an exceedingly popular flower, and both seed and plant are in great demand. Plants will be found offered in department of Hardy Bulbs and Plants. Seed can be sown in open ground at any time from May to September, and will bloom freely the next season. Pkt.

**Double White**, pure and true..... 10

**Double Magenta**, fine bright color..... 10

**Double Lemon**, pure, bright lemon yellow..... 10

**Double Pink**, very delicate and pretty..... 10

**Midnight**, double black..... 10

One paper each of above Five Colors, 40 Cents.

**Double, Mixed Colors**, very choice, embracing over twenty different shades..... 10

**Gem of Yellow**. This is a new sort, very dwarf and very double, and of the finest brilliant yellow color. The flowers set so close on the stalks that it is one gigantic spike of bloom. It is the finest of all Hollyhocks..... 15

## Strawberry.

While in France we were surprised at the size, sweetness, and delicious flavor of the Strawberries, which are said to surpass any in the world. They are certainly a great way ahead of the American varieties. We have secured seed of the finest large-fruited kinds, which we have every reason to believe will produce varieties far superior to those in cultivation in this country.

**Strawberry**, large-fruited varieties, mixed..... 10

## Iberis.

A beautiful hardy Candytuft, which during June is a perfect mass of snow-white flowers.

**Sempervirens**, pure white..... 10

## Picotee Pinks.

These are the hardy Carnations with an array of elegant colors, which stand our winters and give us an abundance of showy blossoms early in the season.

**Double, all Colors, Mixed**, a magnificent collection, including all the elegant variegated sorts..... 15

## Phlox Perennial.

These will bloom finely the first summer if sown late the previous fall or very early in spring. The seed we offer was

saved from a fine collection of the best sorts. It grows best if sown in the fall. Per pkt.

**Mixed Colors**, will give a splendid variety of colors. .... 10

## Honeysuckle.

A beautiful climber which grows rapidly from seed and blooms freely.

**Mixed Sorts**..... 10

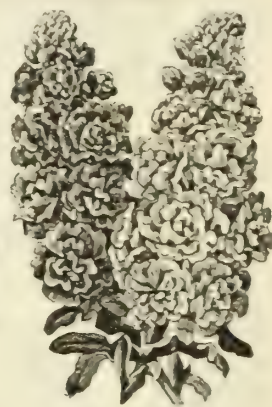
## Iris.

These beautiful plants are easily raised from seed.

**Kaempferi**, fine mixed, all colors, double and single..... 5



PERENNIAL PEA.



WALL FLOWER.

## Perennial Pea.

A beautiful climber resembling the Sweet Pea, except its blossoms are borne in large clusters. Blooms very early. Pr. pkt.

**Mixed Colors**, rose, white and red..... 5

**White**, very fine..... 10

## Sweet William.

This old and popular flower has been greatly improved the last few years. The flowers are twice as large as they used to be, and the colors bright and varied. In fine colors and perfect form Childs' Improved are the best of all. The Sweet William is a most elegant garden flower.

**Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors**, produced after years of careful saving and selecting; perfect in form, large in size, and brilliant and varied in colors..... 10

**Double, Mixed Colors**, fine double flowers..... 10

**Double White**, new and very fine..... 10

## Wallflower.

A fragrant, hardy perennial, closely allied to the Ten Weeks Stock. Highly esteemed by many.

**Double, Mixed Colors**..... 10

## Violet.

Some of these are easily grown from seed, and no garden is complete without a good bed of them.

**Perpetual White**, very fine and free blooming..... 10

**The Czar**, new, bearing the largest flowers, of rich, deep blue color, and very sweet..... 15

## Yucca Filamentosa.

One of the most ornamental of all hardy plants, being an evergreen forming a dense clump of beautiful foliage, which is attractive both summer and winter, but when in bloom its grandeur can best be appreciated. In July it throws up a flower-spike often higher than a man's head, on which are borne hundreds of large elegant bell-shaped white blossoms. For centres of small beds, borders of large ones, or positions among shrubbery it is unequalled among hardy plants. Several fine plants can be grown from a paper of seed.

**Filamentosa**..... 10



# CHOICE SELECT SEED.

## FOR GREENHOUSE AND WINDOW CULTURE.

The following choice Seeds are all scarce and expensive. We quote them at prices as low as possible, the quality being the best that the world produces. Our seed of these rare plants must not be confounded with the cheap grades usually imported into this country, for they are from the prize strains of Europe, fresh and pure, and are not surpassed by any ever grown here or abroad. Our Primula, Cineraria, Gloxinia, Calceolaria, Coleus, Carnation, etc., is not to be excelled anywhere. It is a very pleasant task to grow rare plants from Seed; watching them day by day, as they develop and bloom, affords a great deal of pleasure to any one who loves flowers. Those who have never seen good plants of Gloxinia, Cineraria, Calceolaria, Begonia, Primula, etc., in bloom, have little idea of their great beauty and loveliness. Greenhouse seed should be sown in pots or boxes at any time during spring or summer, and covered with glass until they germinate. We think it better to start the seed in the spring, or before July.



ABUTILON.



AGAPANTHUS.

### Abutilon.

Splendid greenhouse shrubs with maple like leaves and beautiful bell-shaped flowers of various colors. Plants grow rapidly from seed, and bloom in about four months from the time of planting. They are very valuable when grown merely for summer flowering in the garden, where they thrive splendidly and bloom profusely. Many of them have beautifully variegated leaves, which, in themselves, are very ornamental indeed. The Abutilon is one of the easiest and most satisfactory of all plants to grow from seed. Do not fail to try it.

Per pkt.

**Cholceat Hybrids**, mixed colors, white, yellow, pink, orange, red, etc. These are the finest of all Abutilons. 20

### Agapanthus.

Known as Lily of the Palace. It bears great umbels of elegant blue flowers. Very easily grown from seed and sure to succeed, as they germinate quick and grow rapidly. The Agapanthus makes splendid garden flowers when grown for that purpose, wintered in the cellar and put out every spring. They will stand considerable freezing without injury.

**Umbellata**, large blue..... 10

### Acacia.

The Acacia is a rare greenhouse shrub which is very little known. They have the most elegant finely cut foliage, and long drooping racemes, or compact cluster of bloom, which is very beautiful and fragrant. They grow well in windows, and are fine for the open ground in summer.

**Mixed Sorts**, all the rarest and best..... 20

### Azalea.

Well known and charming free flowering shrubby plants.

**Indica**, mixed colors, of all the best sorts..... 20

### Begonia.

This is one of the leading and most beautiful window plants. They are of exceedingly easy culture and produce a great profusion of elegant flowers. The seed is fine and will need great care in sowing. Plants often bloom in six or eight months from seed.

**Tuberous-rooted Hybrids**, mixed. Elegant tuberous-rooted sorts, with large, showy blossoms... 30

**Tuberous-rooted Hybrids**, double, mixed; fine double blossoms..... 50

**Mixed Seed**, of many sorts, such as Semperflorens, Rex, Discolor, and many others..... 25

### Bouvardia.

Highly prized for winter blooming. Our seed is saved from the very best varieties. Per pkt.

**Mixed Sorts**, all colors..... 15

### Cacti.

This curious and beautiful class of plants are easily grown from seed, and no one need fail with them. Sow in soil composed of two-thirds clean sand, with good drainage. When they have grown to a proper size for handling pot off into small pots. Use water sparingly.

**Mixed Sorts**, 30 to 40 best varieties..... 20

### Cape Jessamine.

A shrubby plant producing large white wax-like double blossoms of great beauty and fragrance.

**Cardenia Florida**, (Cape Jessamine)..... 20

### Glianthus.

A trailing plant with very beautiful foliage and bunches of intense scarlet flowers with black centers, which form a most showy contrast. The best way to grow this beautiful flower is to prepare a hill in the garden as you would for melons, in which plant a few seeds where they will grow and bloom beautifully until frost, then lift carefully and bring inside for winter bloom.

**Dampieri**, magnificent color..... 25

### Coleus.

Well known as the finest foliage bedding plant in existence. Our seed is saved from the best varieties and will produce elegant sorts.

**Extra Choice**, mixed..... 25



CINERARIA, DWARF HYBRIDS.



## Cineraria.

For a showy greenhouse or window flower the Cineraria has few equals, bearing as it does hundreds of large showy flowers of various colors and markings. They usually bloom during late winter and early spring when showy flowers are exceedingly rare. From seed they grow very quickly and are easily managed and bloom the first winter. Keep the plants in a cool, shady place during summer.

Per pkt.  
**Dwarf Hybrids**, large flowering, mixed colors; the best.. 25  
**Double, Extra Choice**, mixed; magnificent..... 50

## Chrysanthemum.

Chrysanthemum seed sown in spring will produce large vigorous plants by fall, which will give a great profusion of fine flowers, even more than old plants. The seed we offer is of our own hybridizing and saving from our prize collection of over 100 of the choicest named sorts, and will produce a magnificent array of varieties. No matter how many plants you raise no two will be alike in color and form. Seed germinates very quickly, and the young plants are easily reared, as they grow rapidly from the first. Try them, and you will be delighted with the magnificent large blossoms and charming colors they will produce.

**Choicest Mixed**, from all the best sorts of large Flowering, Incurred, Pompon, Japanese, and Anemone flowered. Will produce a grand variety of best double flowers..... 25

## Carnation.

This elegant flower should be grown more generally from seed. Seed germinates as freely and plants are as easily raised as its first cousin, the Dianthus. Plants from seed sown in April will commence blooming in August and continue all winter.

**Good Mixed**..... 10  
**Fancy, Extra Choice**, mixed. A great variety of variegated colors..... 25  
**Perpetual Tree**, or monthly, extra choice. Of our own saving from best sorts; will produce many varieties of great merit..... 25  
**New Hardy**. See Novelties..... 25

## Calceolaria.

Another exceedingly showy house plant, which, when in bloom, is, indeed, a rare beauty, having hundreds of showy pocket-like flowers of various colors, some spotted and marked elegantly. Treat like Primulas or Cinerarias.

**Hybrids**, mixed colors, extra choice seed..... 25  
**Rugosa**, mixed, fine for open ground during summer.... 15

## Galla.

The Spotted Calla is easily grown from seed, which are large and at once form bulbs.

**Spotted**, leaves green, spotted white; flowers pure white 10

## Dracænas.

Grand foliage plants for planting in vases or baskets, or for specimen plants.

**Mixed Sorts**..... 25

## Fern.

Ferns are useful for winter decorations, baskets, wardian cases, and for cool shady nooks in the garden.

**Mixed Sorts**, all the best varieties..... 25  
**Tree**, the Tree Ferns are grand..... 30

## Fuchsia.

Everybody knows and loves the Fuchsia. It is not so easy to raise from seed as the Carnations, yet with care a good number of plants can be secured in this way.

**Mixed Seed**, of best double and single sorts..... 25

## Ficus.

This is the well-known Rubber Tree which is so highly prized for decorative purposes.

**Elastica**, elegant foliage..... 10



SINGLE GERANIUM.



DOUBLE GERANIUM.

## Geranium.

These beautiful plants are very easily raised from seed, and the seed here offered will produce new varieties equal to the very best. With good care plants will bloom within six or seven months from the time the seed is sown. There is no better way to get a fine lot of Geraniums than to grow them from seed.

Per pkt.  
**Zonale**, choice, mixed from fine sorts..... 10  
" extra choice, mixed from finest new varieties.... 20  
**Apple Scented**, very delightfully scented leaves..... 25  
**Double, Mixed**. Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts, and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence..... 30  
**Musk Scented**, free bloomer..... 30

## Gesneria.

A class of bulbous plants with very brilliant blossoms, and belonging to the Gloxinia family, and require the same treatment.

**Mixed Sorts**, showy, both in foliage and flower..... 20



HELIOTROPE.

## Heliotrope.

A very fragrant and desirable flower. They do finely bedded out in the garden where they will bloom all summer, and when carefully lifted, potted, cut back and brought into a light, warm window they bloom most beautifully during winter. The flowers are always greatly prized for their delicious fragrance.

**Mixed Colors**..... 15

## Lantana.

Seedlings grow quickly and bloom the first summer. They are exceedingly fine for summer bedding.

**All Sorts**, mixed... 10



## Lemon Verbena.

This elegant, fragrant plant is easily grown from seed and succeeds well. Have a good bed of it in the garden over summer, that you can cut its fragrant foliage and flowers to make up with bouquets.

Per pkt.

**Lemon Verbena**, choicest seed. .... 10

## Musa Ensette.

The great Abyssinian Banana, so beautiful for bedding purposes. It grows several feet high with enormous leaves, which are highly ornamental.

**Eusette**, per packet of 5 seeds. .... 20

## Nierembergia.

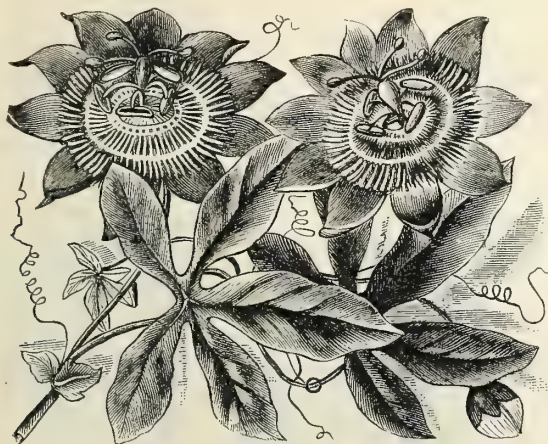
Very beautiful and perpetual blooming plants either for pots or the open ground. They even succeed well when sown in the garden and bloom profusely all the season. In pots they are never without flowers and are graceful and charming.

**Gracilis**, grayish white with yellow center. .... 5

## Oleander.

Well known and beautiful shrubs for large pots or tubs. Flowers large, double, and borne in great profusion.

**Mixed Sorts**. .... 25



PASSIFLORA.

## Passiflora.

This elegant vine is easily grown from seed, and it is well worth any one's while to try it. They are very beautiful for windows, and when planted out in summer they make a magnificent climber, growing very rapidly.

**Mixed Sorts**. .... 10

## Palms.

**Seaforthia Elegans**, one of the most beautiful, with elegant large cut leaves. .... 25

**Latania Borbonica**, large fan-shaped leaves; a free grower in any situation. A fine sort which any one can succeed with. .... 25

**Fillifera**, the beautiful weeping Palm that is so hardy and robust. It grows very rapidly from seed. See plant department for full description. .... 10

## Smilax.

We doubt if one of our customers in a hundred have ever seen a string of Smilax in bloom. Though grown principally for its elegant green foliage, so indispensable for floral work, it nevertheless bears flowers by the thousand, which for rare and graceful beauty and delicate fragrance cannot be excelled. Smilax requires a nice sunny window and freedom from dust. It grows very quickly from seed.

**Smilax**, extra fine seed. .... 10

## Torenia.

Very fine new greenhouse annual; large sky-blue flowers with three large spots of indigo blue and a bright yellow stain in the center of the flower. Splendid for pot plants or for the garden.

Per pkt.

**Fournieri**, very beautiful. .... 10

## Pilea.

The Pilea, or "Artillery Plant" is a curiosity. Its masses of fern like foliage when wet, or pressed between the hands shoot out little bombs of pollen, resembling smoke discharged from a miniature cannon, hence its name "Artillery Plant."

**Pilea, Artillery or Fireworks Plant**. .... 20



PRIMULA.

## Primula.

We doubt if there is a greenhouse or window plant more popular than the Primrose. It is justly popular, first, for its elegant flowers and long continued season of bloom, which extends nearly through the whole year, and second, on account of its ease of culture, thriving in a window where there is little or no sun which few plants will do. It is not particular as to situation and is never attacked by insects. It is a plant which will thrive in any window for anybody. It grows readily from seed and there is no reason why every lover of beautiful flowers should not have a good lot of these elegant plants. Our seed is from the choicest strains in Europe, and cannot be excelled.

**Mixed**, very good; from a fine large-flowering collection. 10

**Fimbriata**, extra fine, large flowering, mixed. .... 20

" **Felicifolia**, mixed (Fern-leaved Primula). A magnificent variety which should be in every collection. .... 20

" **Flore Plena**, Alba, fine double white. .... 50

" **Rosea**, fine double, rose. .... 50

" **Mixed**, double. The double Primulas are truly magnificent. .... 50

**Obconica**, a most valuable new species, being a strong, vigorous grower and in bloom every day in the year. It is particularly a free bloomer in winter, producing large clusters of white flowers and often more than fifty of them appear on a plant at once. A plant is, in fact, a perfect mass of bloom all winter. .... 20

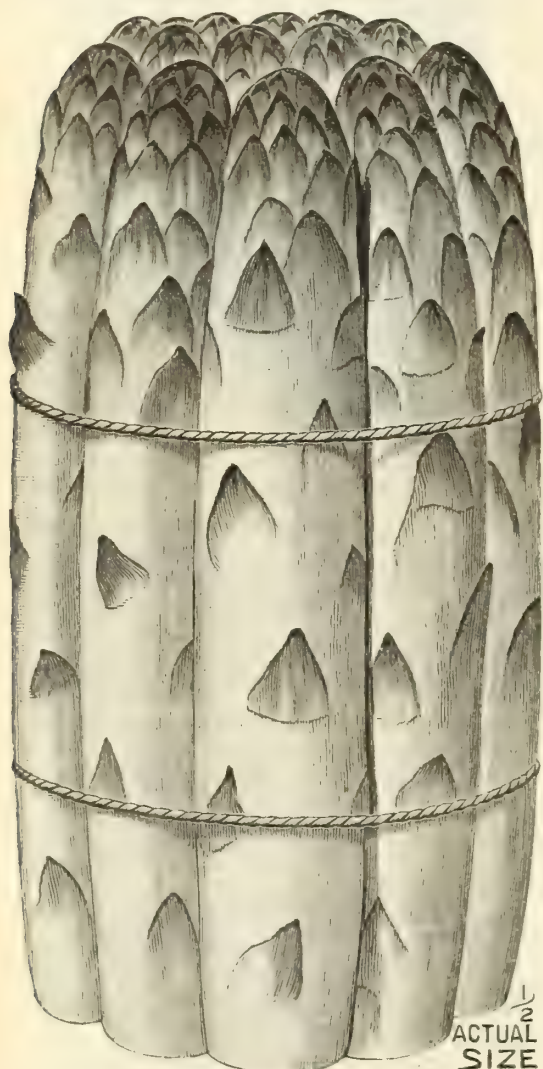
**Globosa**, mixed colors. A new strain of the Sinensis Fimbriata type with large fringed flowers, of fine shape and bright colors, and borne in great clusters. The plants are dwarf and compact in growth, which makes them extra fine for pot culture. Colors, white, red, pink, striped, etc. Our customers will find this an extra fine strain. .... 30



# VEGETABLE SEEDS,

OF SUPERIOR QUALITY FOR FAMILY AND MARKET USE.

The varieties of Vegetable Seeds we offer are confined to the *very best* standard and new sorts and are all that can be desired for a family garden. We might catalogue a much larger list of kinds, but it seems useless, as those offered are of the greatest merit. We are proud to say that our Seeds have always given universal satisfaction and are excelled by none in point of purity, freshness and highly perfected qualities. The few varieties we offer we intend shall be far above the ordinary grades. Those who plant our seed can rely upon having choice vegetables. Nothing is a greater comfort or more profitable to a family than a good vegetable garden. It is drawn upon every day of the year for healthful and delicious food. In point of quality, vegetables fresh from the garden have no comparison with those purchased in the markets, which have usually become wilted and stale before they reach the table. There is nothing like the pure article fresh from the garden. We call special attention to our list of vegetable novelties. Try them, and always bear in mind that it is as easy to raise good varieties as poor ones. *All Seeds offered are sent by mail, postage paid, at price quoted*



ASPARAGUS, NEW MAMMOTH.

## Asparagus, New Mammoth.

We believe this to be the most valuable sort in cultivation. For fine flavor, productiveness, enormous size and quick growth it has no superior. It is of full size for cutting the third year from seed, or the second season from roots; in this respect ahead of all others. The stalks are of enormous size, very tender and delicious. It starts very early and its season of cutting continues to the very latest. Per pkt. 15c.

## Beans, (Pole.)



**BEAN, BEST OF ALL.**  
and upward in length. The pods of such extraordinary length, are produced so abundantly as to almost conceal the foliage. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 50c.

**Best of All**, an extremely early Pole Bean of the finest quality. Pods five to six inches long, very fleshy, and perfectly stringless, and exceedingly prolific. The long pods are produced all over the vines in clusters of from ten to twelve. They are very handsome and perfectly round with a crease in the back. The crop matures very early and keeps well, hence a valuable market sort. Per pkt., 15c.; pint, 45c.; quart, 80c.

**Cranberry**, an old and highly esteemed sort. Nothing finer for a shell bean. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 60c.

**Large White Lima**, the most popular of all pole beans. It has an exquisite flavor peculiar to itself. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 70c.

**Early Case Knife**, an extremely early and popular sort. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 60c.

**Yard Long or Cuban Asparagus Bean**, This is a curiosity, with dark green foliage, and pods growing two feet





## HENDERSON'S NEW BUSH LIMA BEAN.



### Beans, (Dwarf.)

**Wax Date**, a new German variety of great value, as it is the earliest of all Wax Beans. The pods are golden yellow, six to seven inches long, very fleshy, entirely free from strings, and of the most delicious quality. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 80c.

**Ivory Pod Wax**, pod long, brittle, stringless, white, tender, succulent, and of a rich creamy flavor. Very productive, the vines being a perfect mat of pods the entire season. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

**Early Six Weeks**, old, but one of the best and most reliable sorts. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

**Refugee**, or 1000 to 1. Very prolific, and fine quality. One of the best standard sorts. Per pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

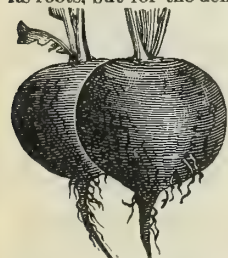
**Perfection Wax**, a new sort with golden yellow pods of very high quality. It is enormously prolific. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

**Dwarf Prolific**, this is an entirely new and distinct sort which we procured in France. It has many qualities superior to any other Bush Bean. It is enormously prolific, maturing great quantities of pods for a period of six or eight weeks. It remains in bearing the longest of any sort we know. The pods are nearly round, fleshy, of a lively fresh green color, absolutely stringless, and of the very finest quality. Altogether it is the most desirable String Bean. Per pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.

**Henderson's Bush Lima**, a new Lima growing in a bush form and claimed to be very fine and valuable. Per pkt., 20c.; pint, 75c.

### Beets.

The Beet is a valuable and popular vegetable, not only for its roots, but for the delicious greens which its young plants furnish. Seed should be sown every two weeks for a succession of greens during the summer.



BEET, ECLIPSE.

sort, which is exceedingly popular where known. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

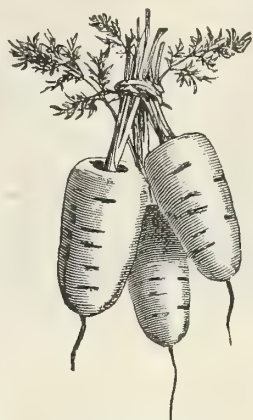
**Dracena Leaved**, a new sort, largely recommended for its ornamental foliage. The sorts we offer among "Ornamental Plants" are however so much finer, we do not recommend this sort for ornament. It is a very fine table sort, one of the very best in fact we have ever tasted. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

**Lane's White Sugar**, the sweetest of all sorts, and is largely used in the manufacture of sugar. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

**Mammoth Long Red Mangel**, single roots of this variety weigh from 20 to 30 lbs., and are fine grained and of excellent quality. For stock feeding it is the most valuable, and is the most prolific, producing 50,000 to 60,000 lbs. of roots to the acre. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

**Golden Tankard Mangel**, a new sort of golden yellow color, and exceedingly sweet. Shape oval, large and smooth. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

### Carrot.



CARROT, OX HEART.

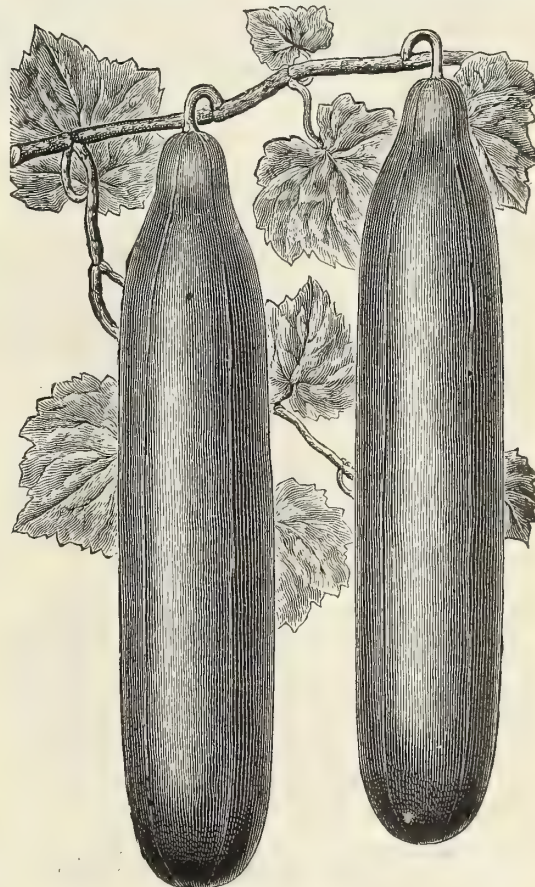
**Long Orange**, our strain of this old standard is greatly improved. It is the principal sort for stock feeding. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

**Danver's Half Long**, the best market sort; valuable on account of its shortness and fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 95c.

**Ox Heart**, a small, short and very early Carrot, particularly valuable for table use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

### Cress or Pepper Grass

**Extra Curled**, this makes a very fine salad by itself and adds a fine flavor to other salad. Sow at frequent intervals during summer, to have a continuous supply in the best state. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 65c.



CUCUMBER, GIANT PERA.





CABBAGE, TRUE SUREHEAD.

## Cabbage.

No crop depends so much upon the quality of the seed as the Cabbage. Poor seed cannot be made to produce satisfactory results under any conditions. Here on Long Island we believe the finest Cabbages of the country are grown, and as we are surrounded by thousands of acres of it we believe we have unsurpassed facilities for knowing and getting the best strains. Our Cabbage seed may be a little higher in price than others, but it can be depended upon every time. There is none better.

**Early Jersey Wakefield**, (true), this is the most popular early Cabbage in cultivation, and when pure and genuine there is nothing better. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.

**Newark Early Flat Dutch**, a most excellent early large flat headed variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.

**Excelsior Large Flat Dutch**, a grand medium and late sort of which we have an unsurpassed strain. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.

**Marblehead Mammoth**, an enormous sized variety of the drumhead type. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.50.

**Winningstadt**, a most excellent and popular variety with very solid, long pointed heads. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$2.

**Perfection Drumhead Savoy**, the Savoy Cabbage is not cultivated to the extent that it should be. We consider the quality of a good Savoy Cabbage greatly superior to any other, they being exceedingly crisp and fine flavored. This is the best of all Savoys. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.

**Red Dutch**, a large Red Cabbage, particularly valuable for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.

**True Surehead**, produces large, round, flattened heads of the Flat Dutch type, and is remarkable for its certainty to head. It is all head, and always sure to head, even where other varieties fail. The heads are remarkably uniform, very hard, firm and fine in texture, and ordinarily weigh from 10 to 15 pounds each. It is very sweet flavored, has scarcely any loose leaves, keeps well is good for shipping, and is just the variety and quality to suit market gardeners, farmers, and all lovers of good Cabbage. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.

## Cucumber.

**Giant Pera**, in late years there has been no introduction of good new Cucumbers, while the improvement in all other vegetables has been very great, and yet no garden, however small, is without this splendid vegetable. It is far more generally grown than the Melon or Squash. The Giant Pera will certainly satisfy any one's desire for a new variety of superior merit. It is a Turkish variety and first sold in this country in 1835. The fruit is borne in great abundance; in shape 15 or 20 inches long, and very smooth. Flesh, clear white, crisp and tender, brittle and delicious, with very few seeds, and free from all obnoxious "green" taste. The vine is a strong, rank grower and produces fine Cucumbers all the season. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.

**Early Green Cluster**, fine for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

**Improved Early Russian**, the earliest in cultivation, hardy and prolific, and of unsurpassed quality. They are small and have but few seeds. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

**Early White Spine**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.

**Long China**, this splendid sort grows 18 to 22 inches in length, is very solid, with but few seeds, and of excellent quality. Very early and prolific. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

**Cherkin**, very small, oval-shaped, prickly fruits. Used exclusively for pickling. This is quite distinct, and can be easily distinguished by the extreme small size of the seeds, from the English Burr Cucumber, often sold as the same. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

## Corn, (Sweet.)



CORN, CORY.

This is one of the finest and most important garden vegetables. The varieties we offer can be relied upon as being the very best. Do not fail to plant the Cory, it is by far the earliest and one of the very best in flavor.

**Cory Extra Early**, this is certainly the most valuable Corn ever set out. It is one or two weeks earlier than any other sort the ears being large and fine, and not small and inferior like other early sorts. The quality is also the best, being very sweet, tender and delicious. Its productiveness is truly marvelous, as nearly every stalk produces three full sized perfect ears. It is a remarkable variety and eclipses all other early sorts. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

**Amber Cream**, medium early, strong, vigorous grower, ears 10 to 14 inches long, with deep kernels, very rich, sugary and tender. A grand sort. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

**Evergreen**, best late sort. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c.

**Mammoth**, late, large, and excellent. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c.

**Black Mexican**, highly prized for table use. Very sweet and delicious. By many considered the most sugary

and richest of all. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c.

**Improved Ruby**. See Novelties. Pkt., 20c.



## Celery.

To raise this delicious vegetable to best advantage, seed should be sown in hot-bed or cold frames. When plants are three or four inches high, transplant to deep rich soil, six inches apart. If the rows are in trenches it will be all the better in earthing up. This should be done during summer and autumn, banking the earth up to the leaves. Never hoe or earth up when the plants are wet. The four sorts we here offer are all that can be desired. They are the *Cream of all sorts*. One is a white, one a red, another yellow, and the fourth the beautiful fern leaved variety. One can imagine the great beauty of these four colors when placed in a dish together on the table. The cut gives a good idea of this combination.

**White Plume**, compact and solid bunches, very fine grained, brittle, sweet, and of the very finest quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

**Golden Self-Blanching**, a splendid sort, perfectly solid, crisp, brittle and delicious, in flavor unsurpassed by no other variety, while it has the decided merit of being self-bleaching to a remarkable degree. The heart is a beautiful rich golden yellow color. No variety can surpass it. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.

**New Rose**, a lovely rose-colored Celery of high flavor, very solid and excellent in every respect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

**Fern Leaved**, a very fine eating Celery, the leaves of which are finely cut and fern like, making it exceedingly ornamental, either in the garden or on the table. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

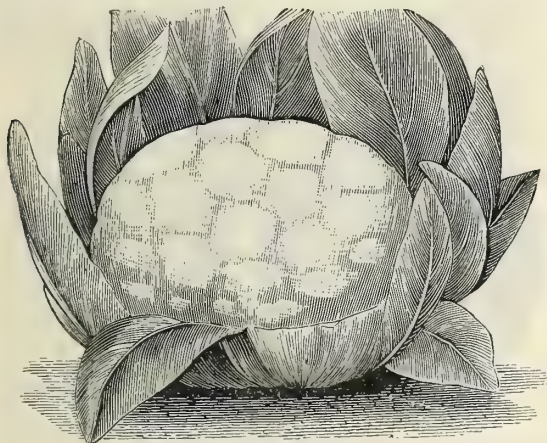
**Special Offer.** Our cut shows the beauty of combining these four Celeries for table use, white, yellow, rose, and fern leaved. For only 25 cents we will send one packet of each; one ounce of each for \$1.50.



CHILD'S GRAND WHITE, ROSE, YELLOW, AND FERN LEAVED CELERIES.

## Cauliflower.

This is one of the choicest and most delicious of all vegetables. Culture same as Cabbage, but the richer the soil and the better its cultivation, the better will be the results.



CAULIFLOWER, SNOW BALL.

**Early Paris**, a fine early sort of fair sized head and excellent quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., \$1.

**Large White French**, a standard late sort, producing large, compact heads of the finest quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 75c.

**Snow Ball**, the earliest of all Cauliflowers, and the surest to head. Of dwarf habit and short outer leaves, allowing it to be planted quite close. It is of good size, of snow white color and unsurpassed in flavor. Valuable for late as well as early planting. Pkt., 15c.

## Dandelion.

**Improved Large Leaved**, very early and wholesome greens. Sow in May and it will be fit to cut in July. This new Dandelion is a most valuable vegetable. Do not omit it from your order. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

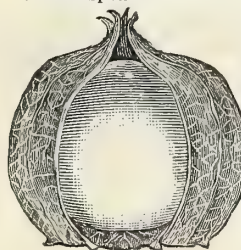
## Egg Plant.

**New York Improved**, the best, and really the only one worth growing. The Egg Plant is a truly choice vegetable and deserves to be universally grown. It thrives in any good soil, and its fruit when sliced thin and fried in butter, furnish a most delicious dish, and a fine substitute for meat. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 60c.

## Ground Cherry.

A new vegetable, something like a Husk Tomato. The introducer speaks thus of it: "One thing which with me is one of the most important of all the fruits in my cookery, I do not recollect of ever seeing named in the Home, and that is the Ground Cherry (not the wild one.) They grow well on almost any dry soil, are easier raised than the Tomato, and are prolific bearers, and oh! such luscious fruit. For sauce they are excellent, and for pies I know of nothing that can equal them in flavor and taste. They are just splendid dried in sugar, and they will keep, if put in a cool dry place in the shuck, nearly all winter. From what I learn from friends in different parts of the country to whom I have sent the seeds, they seem to be very little known. No one after raising them once will ever make a garden again without devoting a small portion at least to the Ground Cherry." We have found this to be a most desirable new vegetable, and will take the place of plums and other fruits to a large extent.

**Improved**, per pkt., 10c.; oz., 60c.



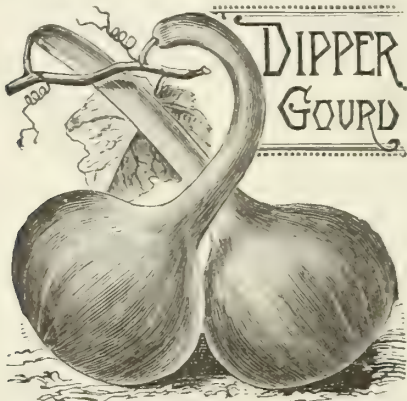


## Gourds.

**Japanese Nest Egg**, as they closely resemble, in color, shape and size, the eggs of hens, and do not crack, and are uninjured by cold or wet, they make the very best nest eggs. As the plant is a rapid growing climber, it is very useful for covering screens, etc., being quite ornamental with the numerous white eggs hanging in all stages. Our seed we believe to be absolutely pure, and is the only stock of this rare Gourd that ever came to our notice which was not so badly mixed with other Gourds as to be almost worthless. Pkt., 10c.



NEST EGG.



DIPPER GOURD

**The Dipper Gourd**, this variety is also useful for many household purposes. Although an old variety, it is seldom grown. They are easily prepared for use as dippers, will last for years, and are particularly valuable for dipping hot liquids—the handles do not readily become hot. Dippers of various sizes, of a capacity of from a pint to a quart and a half, can be had from a few vines. Pkt., 10c., oz., 25c.

**Dishcloth**, a natural dishcloth, and a most admirable one is furnished by the peculiar lining of this fruit, which is sponge-like, porous, very tough, elastic and durable. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth to any prepared by art. The fruit grows about two feet in length, and the vine is very ornamental, producing clusters of yellow blossoms, in pleasing contrast with the silvery-shaded, dark-green foliage. In the North this variety requires to be started in a hot-bed. The dried interiors of these Gourds have already become an article of commerce, grown in Florida, they are sold by Philadelphia and New York druggists. Pkt., 10c.

**Sugar Trough**, these Gourds are useful for many household purposes, such as buckets, baskets, nest-boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the winter's lard. They grow to hold from four to ten gallons each, have thick, hard shells, very light but durable, having been kept in use as long as ten years. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.



KOHl-RABI.

soups, stews, salads, etc.

## Kohl-Rabi.

**Extra Early Vienna**, this is a most delicious vegetable, having a Turnip-like bulb formed above ground. It has a most elegant Cauliflower-like flavor, and should be cooked in about the same manner. Use them when about the size of Globe Turnips, and before they get old and stringy. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

## Leek.

**New Giant Italian**, introduced in 1884, this new variety has given great satisfaction everywhere. It is very hardy, easily grown, and of monstrous size; it is of a very mild and agreeable flavor. The Leek is considered more delicate than the Onion for flavoring. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.



TOMHANNOCK.

## Lettuce.

**Tomhannock**, probably the most crisp and delicious Lettuce ever introduced; but particularly remarkable on account of holding its fine flavor from the first of June to the last of September, at all times free from bitter taste or toughness. It makes a beautiful plant 12 inches high and 9 to 18 inches across. The outside leaves are beautiful reddish bronze, while the inside ones are almost white. It is the finest Lettuce we have ever grown. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

**Golden Heart**, a grand new sort, producing heads of very large size, which within are a beautiful rich golden yellow. It grows quickly and is ready for use in a short time, and retains its excellent condition for weeks. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., 75c.

**New Hard Head**, a new sort of great value, with head as hard as a Cabbage. It is the quickest to form heads, stands the longest before seeding, is unsurpassed in quality, being very tender, crisp and brittle, sweet and free from bitterness. A grand sort. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

**Curled Simpson**, a fine standard early sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

**New Hanson**, an excellent head variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

**Buttercup**, a most beautiful and valuable sort. The leaves are a deep yellow, making the plants as they stand in a bed as ornamental as Coleus. They produce large heads of very fine quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

**Childs' Half Century**, see Novelties. Pkt., 20c.



HUNGARIAN HONEY

strong and healthy, hardy and productive. Pkt., 10c.

## Melon, (Water.)

**Hungarian Honey**, this is, without question, one of the finest Melons for family gardens. They are nearly round in shape, dark in color, and weigh about 10 pounds. The flesh is brilliant red in color, and absolutely stringless, melting, and surprisingly sweet and luscious, of a very rich, honey flavor, richer and sweeter to the taste than any other Melon, except Childs' Ruby Gold. The Melons ripen early, vine strong and healthy, hardy and productive. Pkt., 10c.

**Phinney, Early Oval**, very sweet and tender. Early and prolific. One of the very best melons grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.

**Mountain Sweet**, large and long, fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.

**Mammoth Iron Clad**, a new melon of very large size, weighing, under ordinary cultivation from 50 to 75 pounds. Its flavor is sweet and delicious. The shell is so firm and solid that they keep a long time after they are ripe, always for a month, and they have been kept till Christmas in perfect condition. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.



## Melon, (Water. Continued.)

**Cuban Queen**, the largest and handsomest melon ever introduced. Can be grown to weigh 80 pounds. Rind very thin, flesh red, crisp, sugary, and in delicious flavor is unsurpassed. No variety sells so well in market as this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.

**White Gem**, This beautiful Melon grows to the weight of 8 or 10 pounds, perfectly round, and of ivory white color, which suggests its name. The flesh is pink and very sweet and delicious. Pkt. 15 cents.

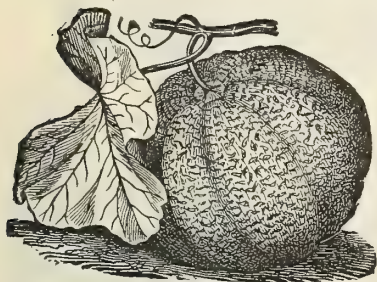
**Green and Gold**, a new sort, with bright golden yellow, instead of red flesh. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

**Childs' Ruby-Cold**. See Novelties. Pkt., 20c.



WATERMELON, WHITE GEM.

## Melon, (Musk.)



MUSKMELON, EMERALD GREEN.

pieces, and is best eaten with a spoon. We can say nothing which will convey a true idea of its delicious quality. It must be eaten to be appreciated. Do not fail to plant this grand Melon. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.

**Nutmeg**, fine flavor, one of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb. \$1.

**Bay View**, a very large and prolific sort, of exceedingly fine flavor. Its yield is enormous, 3,000 to 4,000 melons to the acre, and its fine appearance and delicious flavor makes it a splendid market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.

**Champion Market**, a new and very handsome melon of rich, sweet flavor, uniform large size, and great productiveness. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

**Banana**, this curious sort is greatly liked. The Melons attain a length of three feet, and are two to four inches thick. The flavor is very good and it is surely an attractive and curious variety. With the exception of the Emerald Green we think it the best of all Melons. It is exceedingly fragrant when ripe, and will perfume a whole house. Its flesh and flavor reminds one of a fine banana. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.



MUSKMELON, BANANA.

## Mustard.

**White London**, highly esteemed for salads and greens. Leaves large and broad and very tender. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

## Onion.

To raise good Onions, good seed is the most essential point. Without good seed a satisfactory crop cannot be produced, no matter how good the soil or cultivation. The seed we offer can be relied upon every time. It is fresh, plump, pure and genuine, having all been grown from select bulbs and pedigree stock. Sow our seed and expect a fine crop.

**Weathersfield Large Red**, a large red flat variety highly prized, being a heavy cropper and of the best quality. It is in fact the old reliable standard sort. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.75.

**Yellow Danvers**, a large round yellow variety highly prized by market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.25.

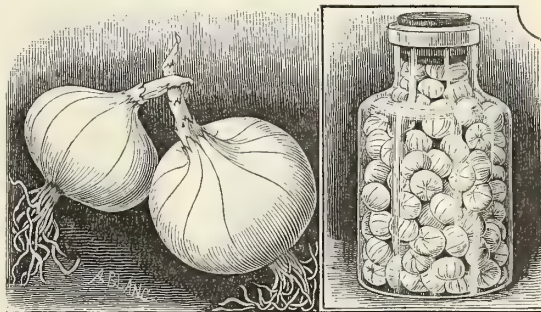


ONION, MAMMOTH SILVER KING.

**Mammoth Silver King**, this enormous Onion often grows to the weight of three or four pounds, while its flavor is most exquisite, rich, tender and delicious. It is so mild, sweet and tender that it can be eaten raw like an apple. No other variety grows to such a large size. The average diameter is five to seven inches, making a circumference of fifteen to twenty inches, or more. Our seed of this fine Onion is the pure Italian strain. Beware of inferior stock, which we have reason to believe many are selling. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.

**Giant White Tripoli**, an Italian sort of enormous size and mild sweet flavor. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

**Queen White**, a new white variety of small size, extremely early and fine flavored. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.



ONION, EARLY RADISH.

**Early Radish**, this is a small, white, flat Onion, no larger than a turnip radish and so early that it matures the last of July from May sown seed. It is so mild and delicious in flavor that it is eaten raw with salt like a radish, and is a most wholesome and appetising relish. When cooked it is also superb and leaves no odor whatever to the breath, and but very little when eaten raw. No Onion can approach it in fine and delicate flavor, either raw or cooked. It has not a particle of toughness or coarseness. Raw, it is very crisp, tender and sweet, even surpassing in this respect the finest of radishes. The bulbs being so small, seed can be sown quite thick in drills, and they will produce a solid mat of bulbs, covering the ground in the row completely. Three weeks earlier than any other Onion. Beautiful white skin; size, 1 to 1½ inch in diameter, ¾ inch thick. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.

## Okra, White Velvet.

A new sort and the most desirable of all Okras. The pods are large, round and smooth, ivory white with a velvety texture, and not prickly like other sorts. The pods are used in a green state for making and flavoring soups. These soups are the famous "Gumbo," variety of fashionable hotels. In a growing state the plant is very ornamental with its large ivory pods and enormous, hibiscus like yellow blossoms. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$1.50.





OKRA WHITE VELVET.

## Parsnip.

### Improved Guernsey,

This is a greatly improved and wonderfully fine strain of the Guernsey Hollow Crown Parsnip. It is strictly a table variety and has no resemblance to what is called the Guernsey Stock Parsnip, which is not good for table use. The roots do not grow as long as the Hollow Crown, but are of a greater diameter, and more easily gathered. It is a very heavy cropper; the roots are smooth about twelve inches in length. The flesh is fine grained and sweet all the way through, and of excellent quality to the centre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.

### Long Smooth, the old standard sort

and entirely the best with the exception of the new Guernsey. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

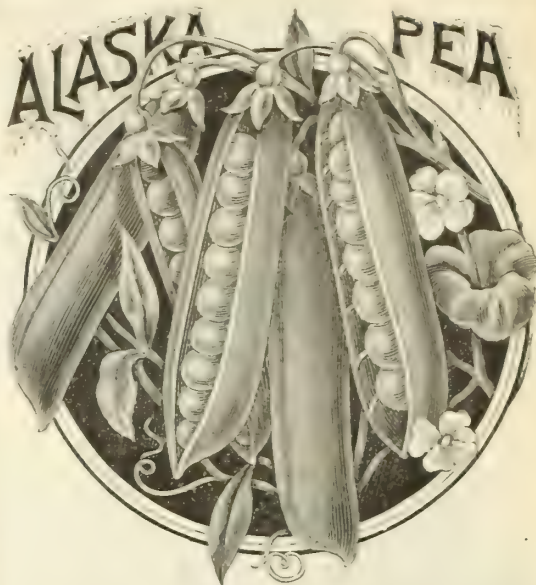
## Peas.

**Alaska**, this Pea is remarkable for its extreme earliness and fine quality. It is the quickest Pea on record, ripening ahead of all others. We had our first picking last year early in June, and that from sowings made after other sorts were growing through the ground. Its height is two feet, pods fine shaped, dark green, well filled, often 7 to 9 in a pod. Quality the very best. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

**Evolution**, the vines are of strong growth, three feet high, of a decidedly branching character, and bear continuously an abundant crop of magnificent large pods, each containing eight to twelve wrinkled Peas, of remarkable size and unusually rich and sugary flavor. It has been appropriately termed "The Everlasting Bearer," as from a single sowing it continues to bear as long as three months. Very prolific, large size and delicious quality is the testimony of all. Pkt., 20c.

**McLean's Little Gem**, dwarf, early and prolific. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

**Champion of England**, late, exquisite flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.



**American Wonder**, the earliest dwarf-wrinkled Pea in cultivation. It is ready for the table in 30 or 40 days from the time of planting. Its flavor is exquisite, habit very dwarf. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

**Everbearing**, a new Pea of great value, owing to its lateness and long continued bearing. It is enormously prolific and of the very best flavor. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 40c.

**Childs' Universal**, see Novelties. Pkt., 20c.

## Pumpkin.

**Large Cheese**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

**Mammoth**, this fine sort often grows to the enormous weight of 200 pounds. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

**Etamps Mammoth Red**, this new variety has proved a valuable acquisition. It grows round, flattened in shape; the skin is very smooth, bright red, and presents a most handsome appearance. It is thick meated; the flesh is very rich in color and of excellent quality. It matures very early. With good cultivation it attains mammoth weights, often 100 to 200 pounds. It is very productive and is undoubtedly a most profitable sort to grow. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.25.





## Pepper.

During the past few years great strides have been made in improving the Pepper. The climax seemed to be reached when Ruby King, Golden Upright, and Red Cluster were brought out, but now comes Childs' Celestial, one of the grandest and most distinct vegetable novelties in many years.

**Large Bell**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

**Ruby King**, the giant pepper, grows to an enormous size, is of the most brilliant ruby red color, very mild and pleasant in flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.

**Red Cluster**, a dwarf, bushy Pepper, bearing large clusters of scarlet fruit which is exceedingly beautiful. Cultivated as pot plants they are as showy as many of the choicest flowers. The Peppers are particularly adapted to pickling, and for all uses to which any Pepper can be put. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 40c.

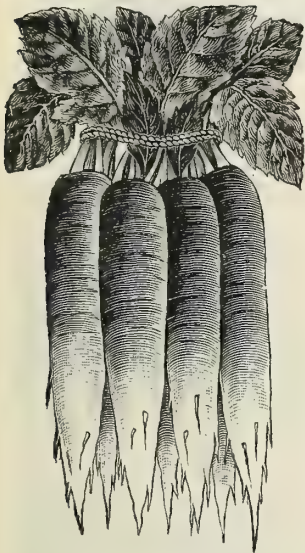
**Childs' Celestial Improved**. See Novelties. Pkt., 10c.

## Parsley.

**Extra Double Curled**, the finely crisped and curled moss-like leaves of this variety makes it the most beautiful and popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.20.

## Radish.

The Radish is of such quick growth that they can be had in about three weeks from sowing at any time of year. When sown in a shallow box, pan or pot in the house at any time during winter a supply can soon be had. They can be sown in the open ground very early in spring and are soon ready for use.



**Early Mammoth**, also known as "Shepherd" and "Chartier." This Radish is the largest ever cultivated, growing to the enormous size of two to three feet in length and eight inches in diameter. In quality and flavor it is unsurpassed. Its general color is bright pink. Its growth is very rapid maturing for table and market use in 25 to 30 days from time of sowing. It remains tender and crisp for four to six weeks after it is ready for use, and is good for either spring, summer or fall. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

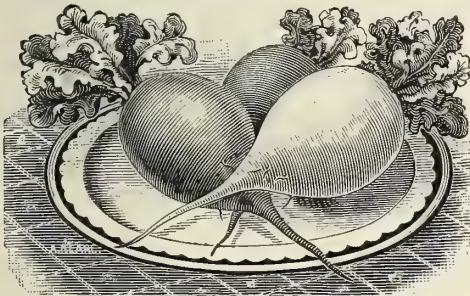
**French Breakfast**, we consider this the best olive shaped sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

**Early Scarlet Turnip**, one of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

**Black Fail or Spanish**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

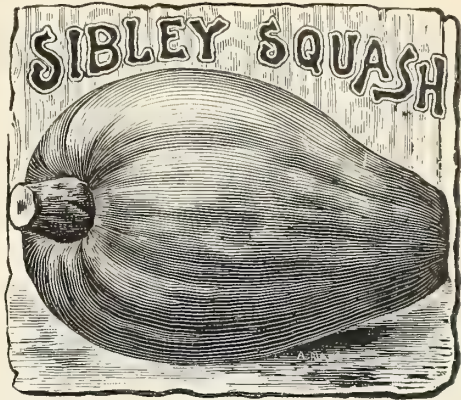
**Long Scarlet**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

The "Earliest," a remarkable sort, being a week earlier than any other. It is perfectly round, smooth, and bright scarlet in color. It is very crisp and tender, and of sweet mild flavor. We consider it the best of all Radishes. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.



RADISH, SURPRISE.

**Surprise**, a good early Radish, as it does not become strong and pithy, but holds its fine quality late in the summer. Color, rich light brown, very thin skinned, flesh snow white, crisp, very tender, fine flavored and sweet. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.75.



## Squash.

**Early Scollop**, fine early sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

**Perfect Gem**, excellent for both summer and winter. Very prolific, with a thin, smooth skin. Fine grained, dry, sweet and most delicious in flavor. Squashes of this variety have been kept a year in good condition. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

**Mammoth Chili**, this fine squash has been grown to weigh 300 pounds, while specimens of 200 pounds are very common. Notwithstanding its large size it is of good quality, and keeps perfectly until spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

**Red China**, it is enormously prolific, bearing from 10 to 20 squashes on a vine. Color beautiful bright red. They are very solid, with small seed cavity and of excellent quality, fine grained and sweet. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

**Brazil Sugar**, this distinct, new variety for summer and autumn use, is the richest flavored and sweetest of all squashes. It is liked for table use in every stage of its growth. During the month of August, September and October, it has no equal. It is enormously productive. A single plant has yielded as many as twelve perfectly ripened squashes. They weigh from two to four pounds each; measuring six to eight inches in length and from four to six inches in thickness. The skin is a beautiful canary color, and generally handsomely variegated. The flesh is also yellow, slightly tinged with green. The vines grow so rapidly that they are but little liable to injury from the striped bug. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

**Sibley**, this fine new sort is taking the place of Hubbard which has so far run out that it no longer possesses the grand good qualities of old. This is now the best known winter sort. The shell is pale green in color, very hard and flinty, but at the same time so very thin and smooth as to occasion the least possible waste in baking. The flesh is solid and thick, a vivid, brilliant orange in color, and possessed of rare edible qualities, being dry, and it has a rich delicate flavor, peculiarly its own. The squashes range in weight from eight to eleven pounds. The vine is remarkably vigorous, and ripens its fruit simultaneously with the Hubbard, although the quality is considerably improved by being housed a few weeks. In productiveness, the new Sibley has decidedly the advantage of either the Hubbard or Marblehead. In its keeping qualities it excels all, remaining in a good dry cellar, perfectly sound until the last of March, constantly improving in quality and flavor until the very last. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.

**Metcalf**, this new sort comes from Maine, where the best squashes we have ever seen are produced. It is of the Boston Marrow type, and is of a deep, rich orange color, being extremely dry, fine grained and sweet. It is, in fact, the finest eating squash we have ever tried, and keeps well into the winter. Our seed is raised in Maine, and is true and pure, and will be found superior to squash seed raised in any other part of the country. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$4.

## Salsify, (or Oyster Plant.)

A splendid vegetable having a taste like oysters, when cooked in the same way. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

**Sandwich Island Mammoth**, a new sort, twice the size of the old Salsify; pure white, very tender and delicious. A great acquisition. New last year. Pkt., 10c.



## Spinach.

**Round Leaf**, new thick; the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

## Turnip.

**Extra Early Milan**, the earliest of all strap-leaved; flat, medium sized, smooth, and a bright purple top. The pure white flesh is of the most delicious quality; keeps well all winter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.

**Early Flat Dutch**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

**Purple Top White Globe**, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

**Large Yellow Globe**, Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

**Improved American Rutabaga**, large in size, smooth and beautiful in shape, quick in growth, crisp, tender and superior quality. In short it is the finest of all the Rutabagas. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.



TOMATO, TURNER HYBRID.

## Tomatoes.

Of this delicious vegetable we offer not a large variety, but the *very best* of all. The new ones we offer among Novelties are particularly fine, especially Ruby Queen, and the three luscious "Fruit" Tomatoes.

**Turner Hybrid**, this grand Tomato is entirely different from all others, particularly in foliage, which is entire and not cut. It is a rank grower and enormously productive, out-yielding all others. The fruit is extra large in size and very solid. They have very few seeds and no hard core, and are unequalled in fine flavor. Without hesitation we pronounce it the most valuable of all Tomatoes. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

**Cardinal**, in this new Tomato are combined all the good qualities of the many sorts now before the public. Its shape is perfectly round, solid and smooth; flavor the best, and fewer seeds than any other sort. Its color is brilliant cardinal red, which with its smoothness and fine shape, makes it most beautiful. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

**Trophy**, large red. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

**King Humbert**, a very early and very prolific plum Tomato of excellent quality. The flavor is rich and fruity, and the Tomatoes are borne in clusters of seven to ten. Valuable for preserving. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

**White Apple or Snowball**, a variety of a very light straw color, shading off to nearly white. It is of small size but very prolific and fine flavored as an apple. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

**Peach**, see novelties. Pkt., 15c.

**German Raisin**, see novelties. Pkt., 15c.

**Fig**, see novelties. Pkt., 15c.; the 3 for 25c.

**Childs' Golden Jubilee**, see novelties. Pkt., 20c.

**Childs' Ruby Queen**, see novelties. Pkt., 20c.

One pkt. each of the 10 fine Tomatoes for 75c.



TOBACCO, PERSIAN MUSCATELLE.

## Tobacco.

**Persian Muscatelle**. We do not believe in the use of Tobacco, except for the destruction of insects and as an ornamental plant. Yet all of our customers will not agree with us, and if they must use it, we advise them to try this new sort, which is the best of all, an exceedingly ornamental plant, and so early it can be grown in any State. It is from the gardens of the King of Persia. The grower says of it: "It is one of the *earliest* varieties we have, of remarkable strong and vigorous growth, attaining the height of 5 to 7 feet. The stalks are strong and heavy, thickly set with leaves, many of them measuring  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet in length, with proportionate width; in fact, some of them were almost large enough to cover the body of a fair sized man. The leaves are unusually small ribbed, very elastic, of finest possible texture, and when properly cured of a light brown color and of mild flavor; cannot help bringing the highest price in the market." Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$5.

## Vine Peach.

Of this new vegetable we cannot speak from any knowledge of our own, but quote the introducer's description. It appears to belong to the Melon family, and is perhaps worthy of a trial. The introducer says: "The fruit is about the size of a large peach, oval-shaped and of a bright orange yellow color somewhat russeted. When it first ripens it is quite hard and has very little flavor, but soon they become mellow and sweet, and have a rich flavor. When ripe the fruit falls from the vine, the flesh is very firm with a small cavity in the center, and when peeled and the seeds taken out they much resemble peaches. For sweet pickles, pies, or preserving they are superb. A few pieces of sliced lemon, or a little lemon essence, adds to their flavor and is usually desirable. We had a jar of them put up in the form of sweet pickles, on exhibition in our store, which have been praised in the highest terms by all who have tasted them. In the West and Northwest where fruit is scarce, we feel certain that they will quickly become popular, as they are easily cultivated, wonderfully prolific, and can be used in every way in which you would use a peach, except that they are not usually liked raw." Pkt., 10c.; oz. 50c.

## Herbs.

**Anise**. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.

**Coriander**. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.

**Sage**. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

**Savory**. Summer or Annual, pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.



# AGRICULTURAL SEEDS.

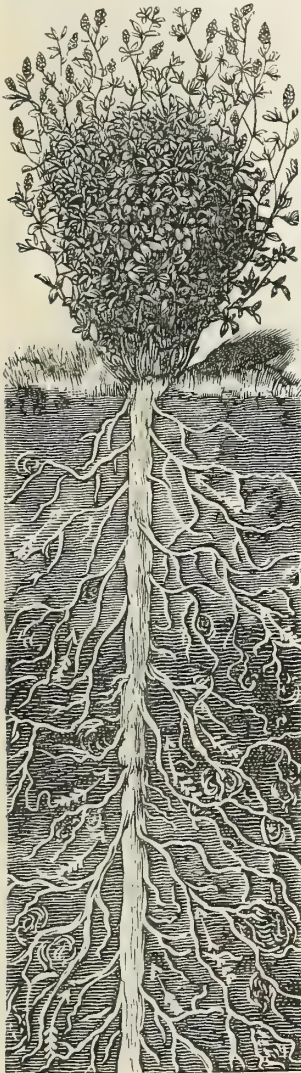
To those interested in high grade farm seeds, the following will prove interesting. In this line we offer but few sorts, only such as have special merits, and they can be relied upon for all that is claimed for them.

## New Japanese Buckwheat.

In 1883 a Japanese gentleman sent a thimbleful of the seed to a friend residing in New Jersey, from which a little seed was saved, and in 1885 a half-bushel. From this half-bushel, in 1886, the crop was *forty bushels*. Sown the same day as the Silver Hull, it ripened a week earlier and yielded almost as much again. From ONE GRAIN planted in a garden the product was \$50 RIPE KERNELS. The kernels are at least TWICE the size of those of any other variety; in color they are also distinct, being of a rich, dark shade of brown. The flour made from it is equal in quality to that of any other buckwheat, while it is much more productive than any other and succeeds well as far north as Canada. As the straw is heavier and its branches more, it does not need to be sown as thickly as other kinds. **Package, 10 cts.; lb., 40 cts., postpaid, by mail.** By express, peck, \$1.25; bush., \$4.00.

## Alfalfa, or Lucerne, (Giant Clover.)

(THE GREAT FERTILIZING AND FORAGE PLANT.)



ALFALFA.

This plant has been thoroughly tested in all parts of the country and has proved to be one of the most valuable products of the soil. The following are its principal points of merit:

1st. It is such a rapid grower that it yields three enormous crops of hay in a season, maturing its first crop in about two months from the time growth commences. The second crop will mature in six weeks from the time of cutting, and the third in five weeks.

2d. It will thrive on dry, barren sandy soil where no other vegetation will grow at all.

3d. Its strong roots go down into the ground more than twenty feet and if there is moisture or fertilizing ingredients not on the surface, it will find it and bring them up, resulting in a rank top growth, so that

4th. When plowed under it proves the greatest of all fertilizers and poor worthless soil can in a short time be made rich and productive without a penny's worth of manure or other fertilizers.

5th. It stands erect, never lodging or falling down like ordinary clover and outyields it two to one, and is good for two or three crops per year for ten years without renewing.

6th. Cattle eat it entirely up with great relish, but like red clover it will bloat them if allowed to eat heavily of it while green.

**Culture.**—Sow 15 lbs. to the acre either alone or with oats or other grain. If sown on very poor land, clear sand or gravel, sow 20 lbs. to the acre. It is not recommended for land that is very wet and soggy. Cut when in full bloom. It is entirely hardy in all parts.

Price per trial packet 10c.; lb., 50c.; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid; by express, 10 lbs., \$2.50; 100 lbs., \$20.00.

## Corn, Hickory King.

A pure white dent Corn, with the smallest cob, and largest grain known. It can well be called the giant Corn for it grows 15 feet high. It is a great yielder, each stalk bearing two or three enormous ears. Pkt., 10c.

## Corn, Golden Beauty.

This is undoubtedly the largest grain and handsomest yellow corn ever seen. The ears are of perfect shape, with from ten to fourteen straight rows of brightest golden-yellow grains, of remarkable size, and filled out completely to the extreme end of cob. The cobs are unusually small; when broken in half the grains will always reach across. The richness of color and fine quality of grain make it very superior for grinding into meal. The grains are not of hard, flinty type, neither are they so soft as to be greatly shriveled, as in the Golden Dent. The ears are easily shelled, although the kernels are firm on the ear, and in every respect present as perfect a type as could be desired. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 3 lbs. \$1.00, postpaid; \$2.00 bush. by express.



NEW BRAZILIAN FLOWER CORN.

## New Brazilian Flower Corn.

This is claimed to be the most wonderful variety of grain ever introduced. When ground and bolted like wheat, it makes a flour unsurpassed in quality, while its productiveness is truly marvelous. The ears are 7 to 9 inches long, small cob, well filled with beautiful white kernels, and from four to eight ears are produced on every stalk. It is fully equal if not superior to the best varieties of sweet corn for boiling and roasting in a green state, being exceedingly sweet, rich, juicy and delicious. It is further claimed to produce five times as much flour to the acre as wheat, being equally as good as the best wheat flour for bread making and all culinary purposes. Though our experience with this wonderful novelty is limited, we are satisfied that it is in every respect all that is claimed for it. Pkt., 10c.; lb. 50c.; 3 lbs. \$1.00, postpaid.



# Choice Summer Flowering Bulbs.

The Bulbs generally known as Summer Flowering are those that will not bear freezing, and require to be taken up in the fall after early frosts, thoroughly dried, and put away in the cellar until spring. They require no more care or labor in their cultivation than the growing of Potatoes, and during their continuance in bloom make a most gorgeous exhibition. We make a specialty of this grand class of flowers, and have a superior stock of Bulbs. Our Gladiolus cannot be excelled. The elegant French seedlings and Lemoine's Hybrids are new classes with flowers of indelible beauty. Our Exceptional Pearl Tuberoses and Gloxinias are unsurpassed, while our list of Amaryllis is the finest in the country. The Tuerias and Tritomas are flowers of great beauty and Begonias and Zephyranthes are gems which must not be overlooked. Plant a good collection of Bulbs and you will thank us for this advice.

## Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is the most showy of all Summer Flowering Bulbs; in fact, no flower equals it for brilliant display, and none are more easily grown. Bulbs should be planted in the open ground from last of April to first of July, and they will bloom from July to October. Plant three inches deep and four inches apart. In October the Bulbs should be lifted, dried, and stored in the cellar over winter. They produce the finest effect when planted in clumps or masses, and a bed of a hundred or more is a grand sight. Too much cannot be said in praise of our seedlings and mixtures. They will produce a gorgeous array of choice colors. Look at our unparalleled offer of five choice sorts for 25 cents, and remember that we retail more named Gladiolus than any other house in the world.

The following varieties are all Extra Fine, as we have discarded all old, poor sorts, and offer these at VERY LOW PRICES. We can supply every known variety, some 300 or 400 sorts, either old or new, but have only space here to catalogue a few of the very best.

|   | Each. | Per Doz. | Per 100 |
|---|-------|----------|---------|
| Angele, beautiful white.....  | \$ 15 | \$ 1 50  | \$10 00 |
| Big Medicine, new; very tall spike, white, marked violet.....   | 25    | 2 00     | 10 00   |
| Ball of Fire. See Novelties.....  | 50    | 5 00     |         |
| Branchleyensis, bright, deep scarlet; one of the best.....  | 5     | 40       | 3 00    |
| Chameleon, large, slaty lilac flowers, white bands and creamy white blotches; spikes large and compact.....   | 50    | 4 50     | 30 00   |
| Ceres, pure white, blotched carmine; fine.....  | 5     | 50       | 4 00    |
| Eugene Scribe, light pink, flamed carmine; one of the very best.....  | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Feliclan David, light cherry, with large white blotches; extra fine.....  | 20    | 1 50     | 8 00    |
| Calathea, carnation, striped with carmine.....  | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Golden Sceptre, beautiful clear yellow, spike large and beautiful form. A superb new sort.....  | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Hesperide. See Novelties.....   | 30    | 3 00     |         |
| John Bull, white, sometimes striped violet.....   | 5     | 40       | 3 00    |
| La Candeur, fine, clear white, beautiful form.....  | 10    | 90       | 7 00    |
| La Poussin, light red, with large white throat.....   | 20    | 1 75     | 9 00    |
| Little Charlie, deep rosy crimson, with large white blotches; fine form, rare beauty.....   | 20    | 1 75     | 9 00    |
| Lysander, crimson black with pure white blotches, large and grand.....  | 1 00  | 10 00    |         |
| Mad. Monneret, delicate rose, large and beautiful spike.....  | 5     | 50       | 3 50    |
| Marie Dumortier, white, striped rose and purple; a fine sort.....   | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Martha Washington, fine lemon yellow, lower petals sometimes marked rose. It branches freely and produces several large, beautiful spikes; new and excellent..... | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Napoleon III, bright scarlet and white; fine.....   | 5     | 50       | 3 00    |
| Princess of Wales, white, flaked with crimson; a magnificent sort.....  | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Shakespeare, pure white marked violet crimson, spikes and flowers very large, and of the most beautiful shape; very rare and beautiful.....                       | 20    | 2 00     | 14 00   |
| Stella, white, flamed carmine; fine.....  | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Sultana, white, blotched crimson.....   | 10    | 1 00     | 6 00    |
| Snow White. See Novelties.....  | 50    | 5 00     |         |

## Our Grand Mixed Gladiolus.

|   | Per Doz. | Per 100 |
|---|----------|---------|
| Mixed Bulbs of 300 varieties, first size.....                                   | \$ 30    | \$2 00  |
| Mixed bulbs of 300 varieties, second size, but will all flower this summer..... | 20       | 1 50    |

Our mixed Gladiolus are very fine indeed, being choice varieties only. All old and common ones have been discarded, and customers can depend upon having a large and magnificent variety of colors. They cannot be too highly praised.

## New Giant Flowered French Seedling Gladiolus.

These we have procured from the renowned French Hybridizers and they are truly grand. They all have those gigantic and beautifully formed spikes and flowers, and vivid colors so peculiar to the French sorts. They are tall and strong growers, and the spikes of bloom are usually three feet or more in length. They possess the greatest possible variety of colors, and all exceedingly choice, equal to any collection of best named varieties. All colors mixed, no two will be alike. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

## Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrid Gladiolus.

Mixed Colors. Of all Gladiolus, these are among the most curious and beautiful. The odd and fascinating markings of the flowers, and their beautiful shape resembles the fascinating beauty of that rarest of all flowers, the Orchid. Yellow, crimson, white, brown, green, pink, etc., are blended together producing an effect seen in no other flower. Seed which will bloom the second year, 20 cts. per pkt.; large bulbs, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

## Hardy Gladiolus.

The following beautiful Gladiolus are hardy and can be left in the ground over winter or stored in the cellar same as ordinary varieties, as may be desired.

|   | Each |
|---|------|
| Dracocephalus, bronzy yellowish green: an odd and curious color.....  | 30   |
| Lemoine, large flower, sulphur yellow, with maroon and crimson; magnificent.....  | 10   |
| Mary Lemoine, delicate pink and yellow with crimson blotches, large flower.....   | 10   |
| Saunderson, a grand variety bearing beautiful light scarlet blossoms, the throat of which is thickly spotted with white, unlike any other sort..... | 50   |

For 75 cents we will send our bulbs each of the above 4 sorts.

## Gladiolus, Purpurea Auratus.

This is one of the most beautiful and graceful of all Gladiolus, especially for cutting for vases or large bouquets. The spikes of bloom are tall, slender and extremely graceful. It branches freely and each bulb produces several spikes. The bulbs are perfectly hardy and can be left in the ground over winter, where they will increase rapidly. Price, 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 40 cts.





GLADIOLUS.

## Amaryllis.

The Amaryllis is one of the noblest and grandest family of flowering bulbs. Though they are of very easy culture, the process of increasing them is so slow that many of the best kinds are quite expensive. A few should, however, be found among every good collection of plants, as they live to a great age and are sure to thrive well with ordinary culture. They can be kept in pots the year round or planted in the open ground during summer, as may be desired. Our mode of culture is to plant them in the open ground during June, after they are done blooming inside. Here they will make a very strong growth and often bloom some before September, at which time they are again potted and carried in for winter and spring blooming. Amaryllis always gives great satisfaction, for their flowers are truly grand. Our collection is the finest in the country.

|   |      |
|---|------|
| <b>Artemisia</b> , pure white, with large vermillion stripes and very large flower; extra fine; new.....  | 2 50 |
| <b>Aspasie</b> , white, tinted yellow and red; large and perfect  | 4 00 |
| <b>Aulica</b> , Stenopetalon, a truly magnificent species having large, orange crimson flowers beautifully veined with scarlet.....                               | 2 00 |
| <b>Baffin</b> , very dark purple red; remarkable perfection..   | 2 00 |
| <b>Bayard</b> , large flower, dark cherry with white stripes...   | 2 00 |
| <b>Belladonna</b> , violet and white.....   | 50   |
| Blanda, bright red.....   | 1 00 |
| Rubra, dark, deep crimson.....  | 3 00 |
| <b>Cleopatra</b> , red and white; fine.....   | 3 00 |
| <b>Clovis</b> , fine transparent red; very large well-opened flower, with large white stripe in each petal; extra..   | 2 50 |
| <b>Corsaire</b> , petals deep cherry red, shading to orange red at the edges, with large pure white band in centre; very large, perfectly shaped flower; new..... | 6 00 |
| <b>Crinum Ornatum</b> , grand. See Novelties.....   | 3 00 |



LEMOINE'S HYBRID GLADIOLUS.

|   |      |
|---|------|
| <b>Crocea</b> , orange scarlet with white.....  | 1 50 |
| <b>Etoile</b> , transparent yellow on white ground, striped and stained with purple.....  | 6 00 |
| <b>Equestre</b> , scarlet, yellow centre; a fine sort.....  | 25   |
| <b>Eugene Souchet</b> , new and fine; dark purplish red with pure white stripe.....   | 7 00 |
| <b>Formosissima</b> , intense crimson; a splendid variety.....  | 25   |
| <b>Gigantea</b> , (Josephine), a variety of gigantic size.....  | 7 00 |
| <b>Hercules</b> , light red, of enormous size, with pure white bands on lower petals; new and splendid.....   | 8 00 |
| <b>J. L. Childs</b> , a grand novelty. Flowers very large, outside of petals greyish white, inside bright clear pink, striped and suffused with pure white. A very free bloomer, and flowers of the most perfect form, and continue a long time in bloom..... | 2 00 |
| <b>Johnsonii</b> , crimson, striped white; magnificent old sort   | 75   |
| <b>Oriflamme</b> , new; white, with large salmon-red bands. Large, well-opened flower of splendid shape.....  | 2 50 |
| <b>Perfection des Blanches</b> , new and splendid. Fine white, tinged with rose and striped with carmine; large, well-opened flower of perfect shape.....   | 7 00 |
| <b>Perle</b> , sulphur white, with large salmon stripes.....  | 5 50 |
| <b>Phoebe</b> , pure white, stained and striped with carmine  | 3 50 |
| <b>Prince of Orange</b> , orange scarlet.....   | 1 50 |
| <b>Robusta</b> , a fine, rank growing, dark sort.....   | 1 20 |
| <b>Rubis</b> , new; cherry red and violet salmon, striped white; vigorous and fine.....   | 8 00 |
| <b>Regina</b> , brilliant orange scarlet; one of the best winter bloomers; large well-open flower.....  | 50   |
| <b>Solandriaeflora</b> , pink and white; very rare.....   | 3 00 |
| <b>Vallota Purpurea</b> , large, beautiful blooms of the most intense fiery scarlet.....  | 50   |
| <b>Vittata, White Ground</b> , white with scarlet stripes and flakes.....   | 75   |
| <b>Vittata, Red Ground</b> , red or crimson, striped and variegated white.....  | 70   |
| <b>Mixed Colors</b> , of the above finest named sorts, among which are many of the rarest and finest. Large bulbs, 3 for \$2.00.....  | 75   |

For a more complete list of Amaryllis with descriptions and prices, see our book of Lilies and Amaryllis price 10 cts.





TUBEROS.

## Tuberoses.

The Tuberose is one of the choicest of flowers. They produce long spikes of pure white, wax-like double flowers of great fragrance and beauty. By many their fragrance is considered to be the finest of all flowers, and surely no flower has a purer wax-like appearance. The bulbs we offer are very large and fine and will bloom profusely the coming season. At all the great shows, where our Tuberoses have been exhibited, they have never failed to take first prize over all competitors; the general excellence of our Excelsior Pearls being ahead of all others. Tuberose culture is a special feature of our business, as we grow several acres of them, and those who purchase bulbs from us can be sure they are getting the best quality in the world, direct from headquarters. Bulbs can be planted from April to June in pots or the open ground. Plant three inches deep in good rich soil and do not allow them to be overrun with weeds or other plants if you desire them to bloom early.

Each

**Common Double**, fine for garden culture, per doz., 50c. 5

**Excelsior Pearl**, short stalks, long spikes, large flowers, full, double and sweet; large flowering bulbs, 50 cents per dozen; \$3 per 100. 5

**Excelsior Pearl**, select bulbs of enormous size; per doz., \$1; per 100, \$6. 10

**New Variegated**, the leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy white; flowers single but very large and of exquisite fragrance. Bulbs continue to grow and bloom year after year. It makes a most magnificent plant. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which greatly adds to its value. Per dozen, \$1.. 15

One large bulb each of the 3 sorts 25 cts.

## Cinnamon Vine.

A fine hardy climber, and well known in some parts of the country as Chinese Yam. The tubers grow very large and are edible, like a sweet potato. The vine is a beautiful rapid grower, producing sweet scented flowers. It is perfectly hardy and when left in the same place for several years they become very strong. 5 cents each; 3 for 10 cents.



TIGRIDIA.

## Tigridias.

There has been great improvement in this flower during the past few years. Not only have the yellow and crimson ones been greatly improved in color and size, but we now have to offer a grand new white variety, which is the finest novelty sent from Europe in several years. The Tigridia should be planted in the open ground in May. They commence blooming early in July and produce an abundance of gorgeous flowers till October. Late in autumn the bulbs should be lifted, dried and stored in the cellar like Gladiolus. They are one of the easiest plants in the world to cultivate, always sure to bloom abundantly in any situation, and the large showy flowers are sure to attract and please.

Each

**Conchiflora**, fine yellow, spotted with crimson; 12 for \$1. 10

**Grandiflora**, very large, bright crimson, centre variegated with yellow. 12 for \$1. 10

**Grandiflora Alba**, new; flowers very large, of pure ivory whiteness, spotted with crimson. First offered in this country by us in 1883, and has proved to be the grandest novelty in summer-flowering bulbs which has been offered in several years. Few flowers on our grounds have been so greatly admired. 12 for \$1.50. 15

**Special Offer.** For 25 cts. we will send one bulb each of the 3 sorts. 5 of each for \$1.

## Ipomea

### Mexicana.

This beautiful climber is also offered among "Specialties and Novelties," with the Moonflowers. It is also entitled to a place here as it is a summer flowering bulb. It forms a root as large as a Dahlia, which is safely wintered in any cellar, and when planted out in the spring it commences a strong growth at once, and is really the most useful of all climbing plants, as it starts so early and grows so rapidly. Its flowers are of a satin violet crimson color, and remain open all day. 25 cents each.



IPOMEA MEXICANA.





A BED OF SUMMER-FLowering OXALIS, LASANDRIA OCCUPYING THE CENTER.

## Summer Flowering Oxalis.

Nothing is so valuable for edging the borders of walks or flower beds as the beautiful summer flowering Oxalis. Bulbs, when planted three inches apart, produce an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers; and as they bloom very quickly after planting, they furnish a neat and attractive border the whole season. They are also splendid when planted in a mass and make a very showy bed. The bulbs, which are the size of peas, or larger, can be planted the first of May, or perhaps earlier, and will be in bloom by the first of June. In Autumn they should be lifted and stored in the cellar like Gladiolus. No flower is easier grown than this, as they are sure to succeed in all soils and situations. They are also charming when grown in pots, and make a very attractive mass of fine foliage and gay flowers. They can be planted in this way at any time during the winter or spring, and will commence blooming at once. We know of no bulb that will give so much real satisfaction for the money as this. Every bulb will grow and flower beautifully. We have two varieties. Price of fine bulbs, 10 cents per dozen; 25 for 15 cents; 50 for 25 cents; 100 for 40 cents; 500 for \$1.50; 1,000 for \$2.50.

**Lasandria**, fine rosy pink, beautiful cut foliage. This is the tallest, and when planted in a bed with Dieppi, should occupy the center.

**Dieppi**, pure white, very fine.

## Cooperia

### Drummondii.

#### THE GIANT FAIRY LILY.

This is one of the good new things of which we have been accumulating an enormous stock that we may give it to our customers cheap. It is a member of the Amaryllis family, the bulbs being as large and solid as a medium sized onion, and should be planted in the spring, either in the open ground or in pots (they do as well one way as the other), where they will bloom freely most of the summer, sending up beautiful lily-like white blossoms on stems ten to fifteen inches high. The foliage is quite long, and of peculiar lavender green color. In the fall the bulbs should be lifted, and kept dry over winter, like Gladiolus. It is one of the easiest of all bulbs to grow, absolutely sure to bloom freely, and the beautiful, pure, fairy-like blossoms are ever lovely. We hope we offer it at a price that will tempt all to plant it. Strong bulbs, ready for immediate bloom, 15 cents each; four for 50 cents.



COOPERIA DRUMMONDII.





DAHLIAS.

## Dahlias.

We offer here twelve of the most choice and beautiful double Dahlias in cultivation. Price of strong dry roots, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00; the 12 for \$2.50.

- Miss Dodd**, beautiful deep yellow.  
**Dawn**, white-tipped lilac, shaded yellow.  
**Oriole**, yellow and crimson, striped and shaded; fine.  
**Leader**, deep plum purple.  
**Madge Wildfire**, deep, brilliant scarlet; grand.  
**Vesta**, pure white.  
**Fire King**, deep crimson; dwarf habit; very large.  
**Guiding Star** (Pompon), pure white; extra fine.  
**Margurate** (Pompon) beautiful rosy lilac.  
**Black Ball** (Pompon), very dark.  
**Lord Lynthurst** (Cactus), intense glowing scarlet. The Cactus Dahlias are new, curious and beautiful.  
**Constance** (Cactus), pure white; elegant.

## Tritoma, Grandiflora.

Few flowers produce such a striking effect and are so attractive as this grand herbaceous plant. It throws up flower stalks three to five feet high, bearing large solid spikes of flame colored flowers of great size and brilliancy. Grown singly or in masses it has a grand effect, and blooms until snow comes, regardless of fall frosts. Plants are hardy with good protection, but they are best wintered in the cellar buried in dryish sand or soil. Those who have never seen this plant in bloom will be surprised at its magnificence. Having an enormous stock of this plant we offer it at a price which we hope will induce all to plant it. Strong plants, which will blossom freely this summer, 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.



TRITOMA. GRANDIFLORA.

## Amaryllis, Treata (Fairy Lily.)



AMARYLLIS. TREATA.

They generally commence blooming within a few weeks after planting, and nearly every bulb produces from 2 to 5 flowers. Many which bloom in the early spring will again bloom in the autumn. For pot culture bulbs can be planted at any time during the winter or spring, and will soon bloom. They should be potted in sandy soil, and 5 to 6 can be planted in a five-inch pot. In the open ground they are not at all particular as to soil or situation, but are quite sure to thrive anywhere. If half a dozen bulbs be planted in a clump two inches apart, among larger plants, or in any nook or corner, they will produce a pretty effect. In the fall the bulbs should be lifted and stored in the cellar, or they can be potted, and after remaining a few weeks or months brought out for winter flowering. Pot a few for immediate blooming in the house. They are charming. Large select bulbs,

10 cts. each; 4 for 25 cts.; 10 for 50 cts.



SPIDER LILY.

## Spider Lily (*Pancreatium Carribbaeum*.)

A bulb of easiest culture, which freely produces clusters of large white flowers of delightful fragrance. They may be grown in pots, in good, rich soil, and will bloom well in the house or conservatory. When planted out in summer they must be taken up in the fall, potted, and little or no water given until the next season, when the bulb will have increased in size, and will bloom more abundantly. It is indeed, a curious and beautiful flower and one which will delight all beholders. Large bulbs, for immediate blooming, 35 cents each; 4 for \$1.

## Charming Mexican Bulbs.

**Millia, Biflora**, bulbs bloom freely, the blossoms being pure white, large and star shaped, usually borne in pairs. The flower stems 12 to 18 inches high. Very desirable for pot culture as well as for the garden. The flowers last a long time when cut and placed in vases of water. 10 cts. each; \$1 a dozen.

**Cyclobothra Flava**, the habit of this splendid novelty is charming. The flowers are golden yellow with black spots and beautifully bell shaped. 10 cents each; \$1 per dozen.

**Bessera Elegans**, a new summer flowering bulb of rare beauty, bearing in great numbers brilliant red drooping flowers. It is of the easiest culture, and blooms most profusely for a long period. For cutting for bouquets or vases it is charming, especially when used with Euphorbia Carollata. 10 cents each; \$1 per dozen.

**Special Offer.** For 20 cents we will send one of each.

## Zephyranthes.



ZEPHYRANTHES.

The Zephyr flowers or "Fairy Lilies," are gems of rare beauty. Planted in pots or the open ground they produce very beautiful Lily-like flowers all summer, and will be greatly admired by all who see them. They are easily grown and succeed anywhere, and should be extensively grown both as garden and pot plants.

**Atamasco**, large, pure white. 10 cents each; 3 for 25 cents.

**Rosea**, beautiful clear rosy pink. 15 cts. each; 3 for 30 cents.

**Sulphurea**, fine yellow. New. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Candida**, the old white variety. 5 cents each; 6 for 25 cents.

**Special Offer.** For only 35 cts. we will send one fine bulb each of these 4 Zephyr flowers; 3 of each for 75 cts.





BEGONIA.

## Begonias, (Tuberous-Rooted.)

These Begonias now rank among the finest bulbs for summer flowering. A plant presents a most magnificent sight and is covered with flowers the whole season. They are best adapted for pot and vase culture and require the same treatment as Gloxinias. Our collection is magnificent, composed only of the new gigantic flowered sorts which have been so greatly admired at our greenhouses.

**All Colors, mixed**; 3 for 75 cts. Each 30

**Double, Mixed Colors.** These produce large, double blossoms of various colors and great beauty; 3 for \$2.50. 90

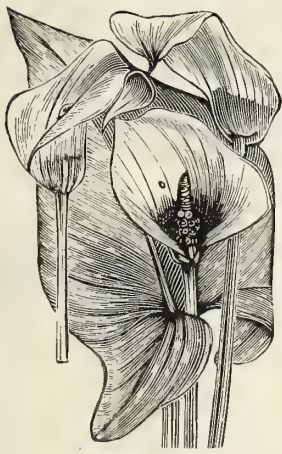
**Evansiana**, beautiful pink, a tall grower, branching freely and flowering most profusely for a long period 25

## Montbretia.

A most beautiful new bulb throwing up several flower stalks from one bulb, bearing a spike of blossoms from six to ten inches long and numerous small side spikes, making it very floriferous. Its blossoms are perfect in form and graceful in habit. It is, in fact, a gem among summer flowering bulbs, possessing rare grace and beauty. Finest mixed sorts, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

## The Spotted Calla.

The leaves of this beautiful Calla are deep green, with numerous white spots, which gives the plant a magnificent appearance. The flowers are pure white with a black centre, and very beautiful. They grow freely in any soil, either indoors or out. They flower splendidly in the garden, treated like Gladiolus; that is, planted in spring and dug in autumn and kept in the cellar dry over winter. The bulbs we send out are large and solid, and will all flower freely soon after planted. As a pot plant it is splendid. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents. A few extra large and strong bulbs at 30 cents each.



SPOTTED CALLA.

## Maderia Vine.

A beautiful rapid growing climber, bearing graceful racemes of very fragrant white flowers. The vine is very pretty and useful. 10 cts. each; 75 cts. per dozen.



HYACINTHUS, CANDICANS.

## Hyacinthus, Candicans.

A new species of Hyacinth which blooms during August and September, grows three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet or over in length. This grand plant was introduced a few years since, and its great value is being more and more appreciated. The bulbs are large, round and solid, and throw up strong flower stems three to five feet high, which are a gigantic spike of bell-shaped white blossoms. Planted in the spring they bloom in August, September and October, strong bulbs producing two, three and even four flower stems. They are perfectly hardy and can be left in the ground over winter, or if preferred, they can be lifted in the fall, and like Gladiolus, kept dry until spring. A bed of a dozen or more bulbs produces a grand effect. A few planted in the centre of a bed of Verbenas, Petunias or other flowers, make a beautiful display. Planted anywhere, singly or in clumps, they are magnificent. For a cemetery nothing can be more beautiful or appropriate, and nothing thrives better in any situation or is surer to bloom. We have sold them for four years, and wherever they have gone they have created a perfect sensation, being so beautiful and unlike anything else in cultivation. We have the largest stock of these bulbs in America, and offer them at extremely low prices. Price of large, strong bulbs, sure to bloom abundantly this season, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for \$1; 25 for \$1.50. Form clubs for these bulbs.

## Caladium Esculentum.



CALADIUM ESCULENTUM.

A splendid tropical plant, growing four feet high, with immense leaves beautifully veined and variegated with different shades of green. As a single plant or mass for the lawn or flower-bed it is very fine. Grown only in open ground. 15 cts. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

## Caladium, Fancy.

These have large, elegant leaves, spotted, marked and variegated with white, pink, scarlet, etc., and are best suited for pot culture in shady situations. They are

among the very finest foliage plants, and are always greatly admired. Our collection is superb, including all the finest and most highly colored sorts, which were so greatly admired at our place the past summer. They make extra fine pot plants, and are always greatly admired. 40 cts. each; 3 for \$1.



# Hardy Bulbs and Plants.

To many this will be the most interesting part of the Catalogue. Hardy Bulbs and Plants are now among the most popular of all garden flowers, and justly do they merit such popularity, for among them are many of the brightest gems of the floral world. A border along a walk or drive filled with a good variety of Hardy Bulbs and plants, is a constant source of brightness, fragrance and joy from March to November. To many this class of flowers is especially desirable on account of their living in the open ground from year to year, and increasing in size and beauty all the time, with but little care or attention. They can be planted and left undisturbed for many years, but we advise giving them good culture with spade and hoe. For specimen clumps on the lawn the Hibiscus and Helianthus are good. Perennial Phloxes make a beautiful bed by themselves, as do Lilies and Aconites, but a mixed border of many varieties is probably the most satisfactory.

Lilies and many other Bulbs and Plants in this department cannot be sent out later than May 15th, and we would in all cases advise planting in April or earlier.



## Hibiscus.

### CHILDS' NEW HARDY HYBRIDS.

This grand hardy Hibiscus, which has become known as the "Giant Flower" we produced after years of careful hybridization, and our large hedgerow of it has for several years been one of the novel attractions at Floral Park. They are perfectly hardy in any place, and each spring send up numerous branches, which from well established roots grow 5 to 8 feet high, forming a dense clump, as seen in the cut, which is truly a showy object. For hedges they are unsurpassed. The flowers are produced in great profusion from July to September, and are about a foot across, being the shape of large saucers. The colors range from pure white through all the shades of blush and pink, to deep brilliant rose. We offer both seeds and one year old roots. The seed will, in a good situation, bloom late the first summer. The roots are sure to bloom well, and increase in size every year. Do not disturb them for several

HIBISCUS, CHILDS' NEW HARDY HYBRIDS.

years and they will be larger and finer every year. Roots, 15 cts. each; 10 for \$1. Seeds, per paper, 10 cents; 6 papers, 50 cents.

## Iris.

With the exception of the Lily, the Iris is, in England, the most popular of all hardy plants, and well does it deserve special attention from all lovers of flowers. There is a fascinating beauty and fragrance about the Iris that is peculiar to this flower. The plants are very hardy, and when once planted will increase in size and beauty every year. Divide the clumps when they get too large.

**Excelsior**, large, white, suffused with blue, very sweet .. 15

**Germanica**, this is one of the grandest classes of Iris. Plants form dense clumps, which send up many flower stalks, each one bearing several large beautiful flowers of various colors. No garden should be without them. They bloom early and are very sweet. All colors, mixed, 12 for \$1.50. .... 15

**Kaempferi**, no description can do this grand plant justice. The flowers are borne in great profusion, and are of enormous size, often ten inches across. A great variety of magnificent colors. All colors, mixed, 3 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.50. .... 15

**Susiana**, if every lover of flowers could see this grand Iris in bloom, we really believe not one in a hundred would refuse to pay one dollar each for one or more bulbs of it. Among all flowers, there is hardly one of such oddity and striking beauty. The bloom is of enormous size, and in describing it, we say: It is chocolate, and black mottled, and beautifully veined with grayish white; yet, from this, no one can form a correct idea of how the flower looks. It is indescribable, and the planter will be surprised when he sees it. It is perfectly hardy, and blooms in May. Try it; and when it blooms you will undoubtedly pronounce it the most beautiful flower in your garden. 3 for 50 cents. .... 20

## Lychnis, Viscaris.

This is truly a magnificent plant, bearing large, double brilliant crimson flowers, early in spring. Its flowers appear in clusters, borne on tall graceful stems, and make a magnificent show. This elegant hardy plant should be in every garden. It blooms during June very profusely. 15c. each; 3 for 40 cts.



# CHILDS' SUPERB LILIES.



Our "Guide to Lily Culture," No. 3, revised and enlarged and beautifully illustrated, is ready at all times. It describes 200 varieties and tells how to grow them. It tells how high each kind grows, when it blooms, where it comes from, etc. Sent post-paid on receipt of only 10 cents. We issue this book because we cannot, in our brief catalogues give full description, with modes of culture and numerous illustrations. All who are interested in Lilies should send at once for a copy. It also has a long chapter on Amaryllis, giving description and modes of culture of all the different species, together with many fine illustrations.

The following 20 sorts are the grandest and best for general culture, being hardy robust growers and sure to succeed with any one. We offer them this fall at special low prices that all our customers can have a good Lily bed. You cannot make a mistake in buying any of these, they will be sure to grow and please you. We offer only strong, home grown bulbs.

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| <b>Auratum</b> , the Golden Banded Lily of Japan, flowers a foot across, pure white, spotted crimson, with a golden band through the centre of each petal; very fragrant; the King of Lilies; home grown bulbs of enormous size.                                     | Each 35 |
| <b>Aureum Maculatum</b> , a most beautiful sort, growing only one foot high, and producing in June several elegant upright flowers of the most beautiful soft light apricot yellow, spotted with black. It is one of the most pleasing sorts in cultivation.         | 15      |
| <b>Bicolor</b> , another grand early blooming sort, exceedingly showy, being of a brilliant red color, flamed with yellow, very large and perfect.   | 15      |
| <b>Batemannie</b> , new and beautiful; deep apricot tint, unspotted, fine shape and a hardy robust sort of distinct beauty.  | 20      |
| <b>Benny</b> , a fine early blooming sort with dark crimson black flowers. It is a fine variety, almost coal black.  | 35      |
| <b>Candidum</b> , pure white, very fragrant, a fine old sort and grand for winter blooming in pots. Per doz., \$1.50.  | 15      |
| <b>Excelsum</b> , delicate buff, very fragrant and graceful. For delicate beauty few sorts can equal this.   | 60      |
| <b>Colchesteri</b> , immense trumpet formed flowers, white and brown; one of the rarest and in our opinion the most beautiful Lily grown. It is a great improvement over L. Browni, which it somewhat resembles, but it is as hardy and robust as an old Tiger Lily. | 1 50    |

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| <b>Longiflorum</b> , white, trumpet-formed; very fragrant.  | Each 20 |
| <b>HARRISSI</b> , a splendid new variety producing larger and longer flowers than the other varieties, and a great many more of them. It also blooms much earlier, and is much more desirable for forcing.  | 30      |
| <b>Pomponium Verum</b> , bright scarlet; very graceful, brilliant and desirable. It blooms in May, being earlier than any other except Pyrenaiceum. A good sort.  | 75      |
| <b>Pyrenaiceum</b> , tall and graceful, with fine drooping flowers in great profusion. Yellow, spotted black.   | 50      |
| <b>Speciosum</b> , (Lancifolium). No flower garden can be complete without some varieties of this most beautiful class of Lilies. They are sure to thrive and give satisfaction in any situation. They are fragrant, pure, brilliant and delicate in color, and graceful and stately in form. Their beauty will surprise all who are unacquainted with them.                  |         |
| <b>MONSTROSUM ALBUM</b> , pure white, with immense clusters of bloom, often 50 in a bunch. Grand.   | 20      |
| <b>PRAECOX</b> , white, tinted pink; tall and vigorous; bearing 5 to 25 flowers on a stem; splendid.  | 50      |
| <b>ROSEUM OR RUBRUM</b> , rose or pink, spotted darker; very beautiful.   | 20      |
| <b>Tigrinum</b> , Flore Plena, double Tiger Lily; very desirable.   | 15      |
| <b>Thunbergianum</b> (Elegans), this is another splendid class of Lilies. They are all erect or Tulip-shaped and bloom in June. They succeed in any location, and when in bloom present a magnificent array of colors. All sorts mixed, per dozen, \$1.50.  | 15      |
| <b>Tenuifolium</b> (The Coral Lily of Siberia), very slender, with narrow foliage and small intense scarlet flowers; a perfect little gem; should be in every collection. 3 for 90 cents.   | 35      |
| <b>Umbellatum</b> , one of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers and dazzling colors. They are robust growers and produce an enormous head of bloom. Colors range from black red, through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, &c. Many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts, mixed, per dozen, \$1.50. | 15      |
| <b>Wallacei</b> , this Lily is very floriferous; each bulb throwing up from four to six flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 3 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms of a delicate bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort as it increases so fast.  | 15      |

**Special Offer.**—For only \$5 we will send one fine bulb each of above 20 grand Lilies.







PLATYCODON. GRANDIFLORA.

## Platycodon, Grandiflora.

Introduced by us five years ago, and has proved very valuable. It is a new hardy plant from Japan, producing all summer abundance of star-shaped flowers, three inches across, of beautiful blue and white colors. Perfectly hardy, and lives and blooms for many years, increasing in size and beauty each year. Plants grow three feet high and produce a beautiful mass of bloom. It is a plant that will please all. Strong roots 15 cents each; 5 for 50 cents. Seed, 10 cents per paper. If sown in April or May it will bloom the first summer.



HELIANTHUS.

## Helianthus, Multiflora Plena.

This grand plant grows five feet high, branching freely, and producing from July to October a great profusion of double golden-yellow flowers, the size of large Dahlias. When in full bloom it is the most showy yellow flower we have ever seen. The great beds of solid yellow seen at Floral Park the past summer were made of this plant. One large bed of Cannas bordered with this Helianthus was particularly striking. The plant is hardy in most localities, but the roots are easily wintered in boxes of soil in any cellar without trouble, and this is the surest way to preserve them. No matter how small a plant is, when set out in the spring, it will in a short time grow to a large, bushy plant, loaded with bloom, as shown in the cut. In the way of grandeur and beauty it is a fitting companion for the great Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora. Those who plant this grand flower will be more than pleased with it. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 7 for \$1.

## Asclepias Tuberosa.

This is a charming hardy plant, forming a large clump of growth 18 inches high, and bearing great clusters of the most brilliant orange scarlet flowers. It is a showy and striking object, and should be found in every garden. 15 cents each; \$1.50 per dozen.



CLEMATIS.

## Clematis.

For a trellis or pillar vine nothing equals the Clematis in grandeur and beauty; their large star-shaped flowers being produced in great profusion from June to October. We have many varieties not here offered, of new and fine sorts, and if the selection of sorts is left to us, the customer is sure to be greatly pleased. When well grown, many of the varieties produce flowers by the hundred from six to ten inches across. \$1 each; 4 for \$3.

**Jackman**, deep violet purple, very profuse bloomer.

**Miss Bateman**, pure white, chocolate anthers. Grand.

**Magnifica**, reddish purple, with red bars. Very large.

**Fairy Queen**, very large, often 9 inches across, pale flesh with a pink band in each petal. Very fine.

**Mad. Van Houte**, large, pure white.

**Duchess of Edinburg**, fine, double white, free bloomer Extra fine and fragrant.

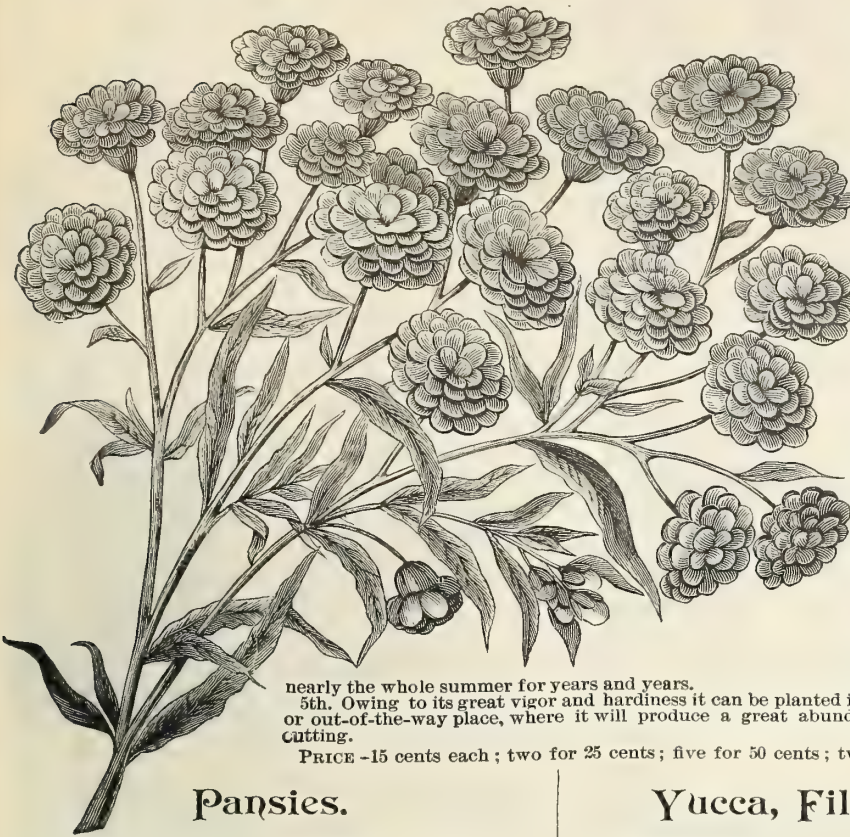
**Beauty of Worcester**, a grand new sort, of a bluish violet color, very deep and handsome, and producing both double and single flowers on the same plant. It is very large and perfectly magnificent.

**Coccinea**, a beautiful bell-shaped sort, producing its flowers very freely, which are very brilliant and striking, being bright rosy scarlet. A rapid grower and very desirable. 25 cents.

**Special Offer.**—For \$3 we will send one plant each of above 8 grand Clematis



## Achillea, Alba, fl. pl.



nearly the whole summer for years and years.

5th. Owing to its great vigor and hardiness it can be planted in large quantity in any waste or out-of-the-way place, where it will produce a great abundance of beautiful flowers for cutting.

PRICE -15 cents each; two for 25 cents; five for 50 cents; twelve for \$1.

## Pansies.

Fine young plants of Giant Excelsiors, and Imperial Germans, mixed. Per dozen, 65 cents; per 100, \$4.

## Hardy Pink, Snow.

A splendid novelty. Plants dwarf, and during May and June are a perfect mass of large, double, snow white blossoms. If potted in the fall and brought inside, it will bloom elegantly during winter. 15 cents each.

## Double Hollyhocks.

These are always in great demand and are used for backgrounds or centres of beds, their tall spikes of beautiful flowers making them very valuable for such situations. Our stock of young, healthy plants is very fine, embracing all colors, crimson, buff, yellow, lemon, purple, rose, etc. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 12 for \$1.50.

## Double Daisy.

We have a fine lot of the charming Double Daisy or Bellis. All colors mixed. As an early spring flower it is as fine as the Pansy, and should be planted in connection with it. Doz. 75c.

## Euphorbia Corollata.

A truly beautiful flower, which has received the popular name of White Forget-me-not. The flowers are pure white, borne in immense sprays or panicles, growing to the height of three feet. For bouquets, vases, baskets, etc., few flowers equal it for graceful beauty. The blossoms are very durable, and last for weeks when cut and placed in vases of water. When once planted the roots form large clumps, which are a perfect mass of flowers all summer. 15 cts. each; 5 for 50 cts. Seed, 10 cents per packet.

No flower is more worthy of a place in every garden in the land than this. It is a hardy perennial, the top dying down to the ground every winter. Its many branches grow to the length of two or three feet, resting on the ground, and holding their great masses of flowers about a foot above the soil. A plant will produce hundreds and even thousands of flowers the first summer; but when established the second year we have had them with more than 5,000 perfect flowers on a plant at the same time. We give five reasons why this plant should be cultivated by EVERYBODY:

1st. It is perfectly hardy everywhere, and will thrive in any soil or situation, no matter how poor, and will take care of itself.

2d. It commences to bloom early in July, and is a perfect mass of beautiful flowers till frost.

3d. Its flowers are pure white, perfectly double, and produced in large sprays, making it one of the finest cut flowers for bouquets, vases, baskets, etc., or for any kind of decoration.

4th. For CEMETERY planting it is the most valuable of all flowers, as it is sure to thrive and bear its great profusion of snow-white flowers.

## Yucca, Filamentosa.

### An Evergreen.

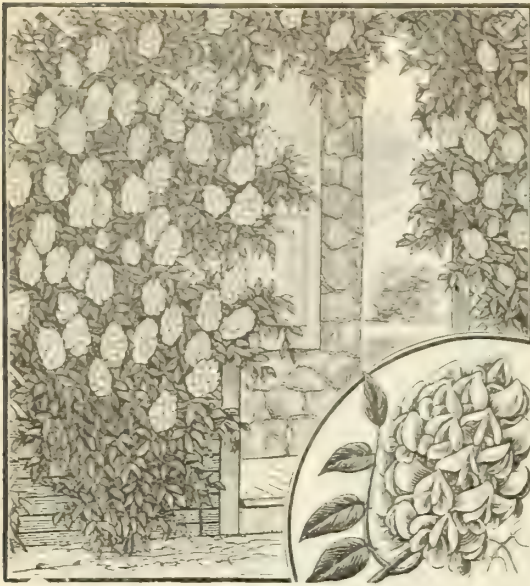
This plant is an object of beauty the year round, if only its leaves are seen; these are one to two feet long, bristling out at all angles with sharp points; flower stalk stout, four to five feet high, with 50 to 200 bell shaped creamy white blossoms hanging from branching arms. It is of a tropical appearance and truly magnificent. Perfectly hardy and lives to a great age. The great quantity of this plant used for borders in the "shrubbery" at Floral Park, has for years been the admiration of all beholders. Not only are they attractive while in bloom, but during the fall and winter their bright green foliage is always a pleasing and refreshing sight. Price, 15 cents each; 3 for 30 cents. Seeds, 10 cents per paper.



YUCCA.

**Yucca, Gloriosa**, a sort which grows to quite a large tree or shrub, with bare trunk and branches crowned with a big tuft of evergreen foliage, from which large spikes of bloom appear. It is very ornamental. 25 cents each.



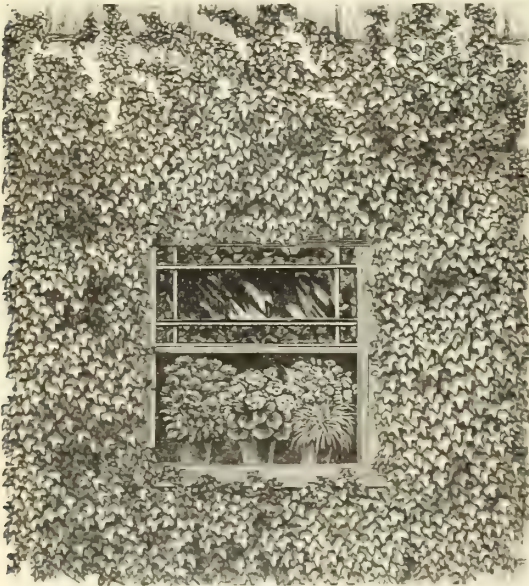


APIOS TUBEROSA.

## Apios Tuberosa,

### Or the Tuberous-Rooted Wistaria.

A valuable hardy tuberous-rooted climber, closely resembling the common Wistaria in vine and foliage, and having clusters of rich, deep purple flowers, which have a strong, delicious violet fragrance. Plant the bulb near a trellis, tree, fence, or any place where you may wish a climber. They grow to a great height, and bloom profusely. The bulbs are perfectly hardy, and should not be taken up over winter. It is sure to give great satisfaction. If possible plant two or three bulbs near together to produce a greater mass of vines and flowers. Price, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cents; 7 for 50 cents.



AMPELOPSIS, VEITCHI.

## Ampelopsis, Veitchi.

A new and rapid growing climber of great beauty, especially for brick or stone houses or walls. Its foliage, which is lively green in summer, changes in autumn to brilliant crimson, producing a most gorgeous effect. It will, in a short time, entirely cover the side of a large building, and far surpasses the Ivy. We offer it at the low price of 15c. each; 3 for 35 cts.

**Ampelopsis Englemanni**, a new form of a much stouter and vigorous growth, and hardier and tougher in every respect than Veitchi. The foliage is very large and heavy and colors magnificently in the fall. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.



NEW PERPETUAL PERENNIAL PHLOX.

## New Perpetual Perennial Phloxes.

We desire to call special attention to these elegant Phloxes. In growth and foliage they are unlike othersorts, being dwarf and bushy. They commence blooming in June and continue until frost and are indeed charming. They produce their flowers in large panicles like a Hydrangea, and the brilliant colors show to great advantage. They are perfectly hardy and should be left in the ground over winter, where they will increase in size and beauty each year.

**Master Morty Hulse**, beautiful rosy lilac, marbled with white, flowers large and of beautiful form.

**Master Clarence Hulse**, pure white; flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.

**Master Sylvester Hulse**, beautiful lilac rose.

**Miss Hattie Hulse**, pure white with beautiful pink eye.

Price, 20 cents each, or the 4 sorts for 70 cents.

**Plant Perennial Phloxes**, these grow taller than the above, with immense panicles of bloom, but do not flower so early. We have 10 of the finest colors, white, scarlet, pink, variegated, etc. Fine plants, colors mixed, 3 for 40 cents; 6 for 75 cents; 12 for \$1.25. They are grand.

## Two Grand Spireas.

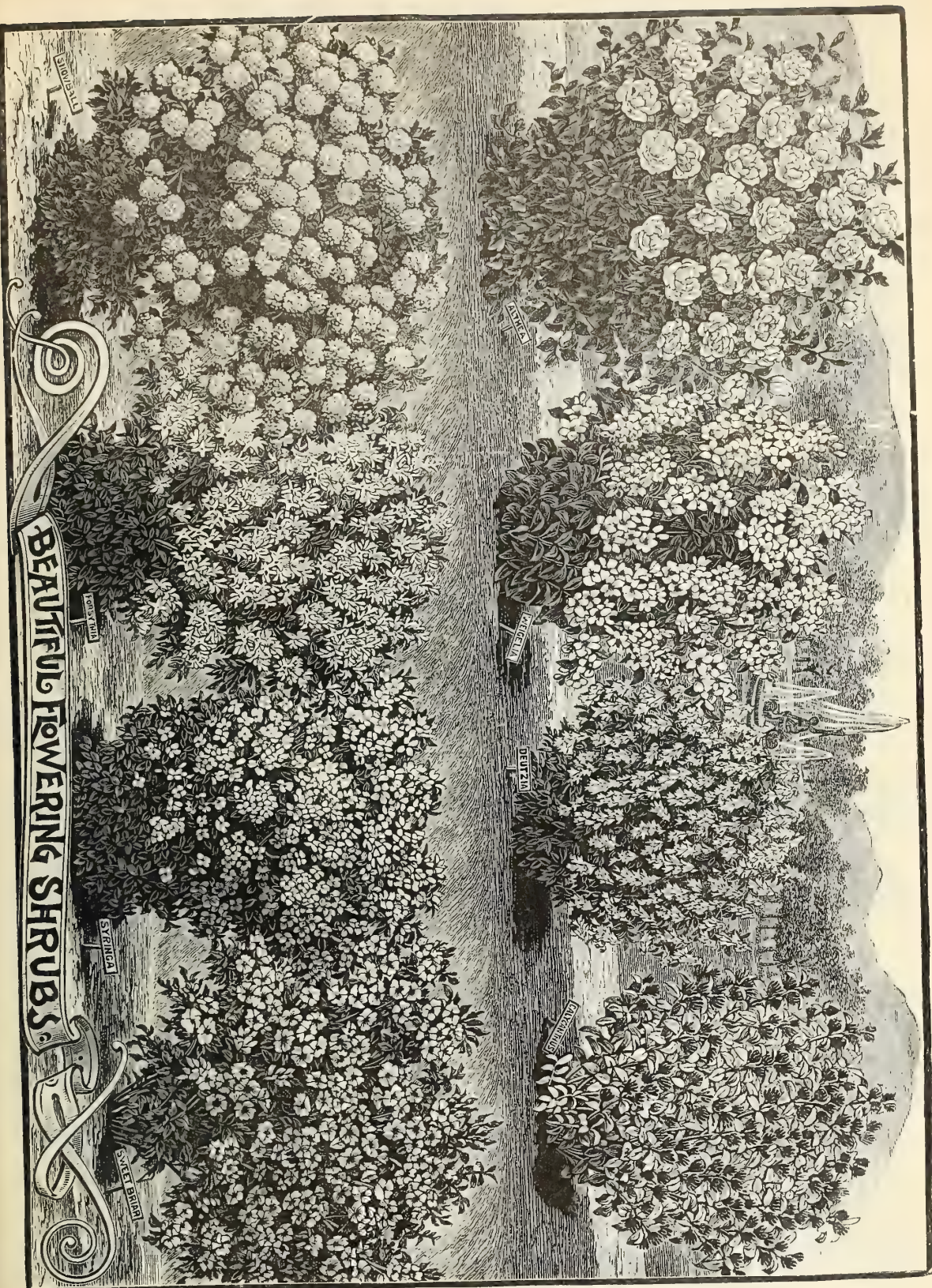
We know of but very few perfectly hardy plants for outdoor culture so desirable as these two charming Spireas. They bloom in June, and the blossoms are like large feathery plumes and unexcelled for all kinds of bouquets, vases, and baskets of loose flowers. The plants form large clumps, bloom profusely and make a great show. 20 cents each, or the two for 30 cents. **Palmata**, grows two feet high with large feathery plumes of the most charming rosy scarlet blossoms.

**Elegans**, pure white, in large clusters of compact spirals.

## Hardy Asters.

These are exceedingly beautiful, producing for a long time great masses of elegant daisy-like blossoms, of delicate colors. A single plant will bear several thousand blossoms, and make a great show for a long distance. Perfectly hardy and bloom profusely every year. 15 cents each; the two for 25 cents. **Campanani**, beautiful lavender, large and fine. **Del Puente**, rich deep purple.





BEAUTIFUL FLOWERING SHRUBS

SWEET BIRCH

ROSE HILL

SYRINGA

SWEET BIRCH

DAURIC

RUBUS

DEUTZIA

DAURIC





A good bed of shrubs must not be overlooked by any one. Our shrub garden is one of the most interesting and beautiful features of Floral Park, and furnishes a profusion of flowers from April to October. No one can realize their great beauty until they have a few well established. Shrubs are a necessity to every garden and lawn, as they furnish abundance of the prettiest flowers and foliage, and serve to form a most beautiful background, or a fine screen for unsightly objects. For planting in cemeteries or parks they are practically valuable. What can be prettier planted side by side than the white-leaved Althea or Weigelia, golden-leaved Spiraea, purple-leaved Berberry, and the gloss green foliage of other sorts, to say nothing of the gay and pretty flowers? A good shrub is an object of beauty anywhere, and as they are perfectly hardy and require but little care after once well planted, they should be extensively used. The plants we supply are strong, healthy and vigorous, all having grown one year in the open ground, and most of them will flower beautifully this season. Do not fail to plant a few. Our list this year includes many new and valuable sorts.

When Shrubs, Fruits, or Hardy Plants are received before you are ready to plant them in the ground, they can be safely kept in boxes of moist soil in a cool cellar or shed.

ONE EACH OF THESE 38 SHRUBS FOR \$5.00.

## Althea, or Rose of Sharon.

A magnificent shrub, growing 5 to 10 feet high, and producing during August and September, a great profusion of flowers, large and showy. Its colors are white, rose, violet, &c., which produce a beautiful effect. Extra fine for cemeteries. We sell all colors mixed. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts; 12 for \$1.50.

## Berberry.

**Purple Leaved**, a shrub of striking beauty, as it has dark purple (almost black) leaves. The bush has a compact symmetrical form, and in May is loaded with beautiful drooping racemes of yellowish flowers. Makes a fine specimen. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents; 12 for \$1.25.

**Thunbergi**, a shrub of great value; after blooming profusely it bears brilliant red berries which hang very thickly suspended from the branches. These berries keep on well into the winter, and make the bush very brilliant after the leaves have fallen. In autumn the leaves color very brilliantly. A grand acquisition. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cts.

## Calycanthus Florida.

This is the well known "sweet scented" shrub. It bears in May a great profusion of double purple blossoms, which have a strong, delicious pineapple fragrance. Very popular. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Cornus Sanguinea.

This is the red twigged dogwood, which forms a compact bush, and produces in May large white blossoms. Its branches are a deep brilliant ruby red color, making it exceedingly ornamental, especially in winter. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Cydonia Japonica.

A Japanese shrub of low compact growth, producing in early spring large brilliant red blossoms. It is very showy indeed. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Daphne Mezereum.

A fine shrub, growing several feet high and bearing clusters of red flowers unexcelled for their delicate perfume. Very rare and fine. 25 cents each.

## Deutzia.

**Crenata**, fl. pl., grows four feet high, and in June is literally covered with double white blossoms, as perfect and beautiful as roses. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Rosea**, fl. pl., like the above except a charming rose color. Rare and fine. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Gracilis**, height two feet, very compact, its branches drooping to the ground with their profusion of white Lily of the Valley like blossoms. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Gracilis Aurea**, like the above except its foliage is golden yellow. Grand. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

## Exochordia Grandiflora.

A fine hardy shrub from China, forming a neat, compact bush, 10 feet high. Flowers appear in May, borne in slender racemes, pure white, wavy, graceful and charming. The bush seems a pyramid of snow, so profuse are the flowers. 25c. each.

## Elder or Sambucus.

**Cut Leaved**, a shrub with highly ornamental foliage. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Golden Leaved**, this is a new and extra fine shrub. Its leaves are pure bright yellow, which color they retain all the season and present an object of striking beauty. Do not fail to try it. 25 cents each.

## Forsythia or Golden Bell.

An old and valued shrub, growing 4 to 5 feet high, and in April or May, before its leaves appear, robing itself the length of its branches in pendulous bells of a bright yellow color. It is such a mass of brilliant yellow that it can be seen for a long distance, and lights up a lawn or yard as nothing else can at that early season. Large bushes 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.



HYDRANGEA PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA.



## Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora.

We believe this to be the most desirable hardy shrub in cultivation. Flowers white, borne in immense pyramidal trusses more than a foot long. It remains in flower two or three months; creates a great sensation wherever seen. It is sure to bloom finely the first season. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

## Japan Judas.

A small compact tree, which before its leaves appear in the spring, produces rosy red flowers in such profusion as to make the bush a solid pyramid of bloom. For an object of rare and striking beauty few flowering plants or shrubs can compare with it. Don't fail to plant it. 25 cents each.

## Lilac, White.

All know and love the grand old purple Lilac, but very few possess the large flowering pure white variety which we here offer. Do not fail to plant a few it is so lovely in contrast with the other. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Purple Fringe.

This grand shrub is covered in midsummer with fine hair-like flowers, giving the whole plant the appearance of being wrapped in a cloud of purple mist. Striking and beautiful. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Sweet Briar.

This is a beautiful Rose (R. Canina) which bears through the summer, large single, bluish white, or pink flowers, in great profusion. The leaves have a peculiar sweet fragrance which is delightful. It is really a charming shrub. 10 cents each; 6 for 50 cents.

## Strawberry Tree or Burning Bush.

On this bush handsome red berries appear in July and continue all winter, making a most ornamental object. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.



SNOWBALL, DOUBLE.

## Snowball.

**Single White**, a grand old shrub which we all remember in childhood, producing in June large round balls of snow white bloom, which droop from the branches most gracefully. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**New Double White**, grand new variety from Japan, having large compact balls formed of white blossoms as double and perfect as roses. A great bloomer, and sure to create a sensation. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

## Rhododendron.

Everybody has heard of the great beauty of this shrub, although it is seldom seen, on account of its high price. We have had a lot grown in Europe so that we can furnish thrifty young plants *very cheap*. The plant is an evergreen, retaining its beautiful laurel like leaves all winter, and in early spring producing enormous clusters of gay flowers of various colors. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.



RHODODENDRON.

## Spirea.

**Van Houttei**, the most showy of all the Spireas and one of the very best flowering shrubs in cultivation. The plant is a rather tall, upright grower, with long slender branches that droop gracefully with their weight of foliage and flowers. Flowers pure white, in great clusters and whorls, forming cylindrical plumes two feet long. Few shrubs present a more charming appearance. It blooms freely when very small. New and fine. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**Reevesi**, fl. pl., pure white blossoms, very double like small roses. Exceedingly beautiful. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**Thunbergi**, beautiful fern-like leaves which remain on till late fall, changing from green to most glowing and rich colors. Forms a large dense bush which in spring is a perfect mass of elegant white flowers. 15c. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**Aurea**, a grand shrub, with bright golden yellow foliage. Very conspicuous and contrasts finely with other sorts. Flowers white, in clusters. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Billardi**, long spikes of rose-colored flowers 15 cents each.

## Syringa.

**Mock Orange**, a rapid growing, medium sized shrub, producing in June great masses of snow white flowers, similar to Orange Blossoms, and having the most delicious fragrance. It is a grand shrub of which one cannot have too much. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Double Pink**, new and grand. 30 cents each.

**Golden Leaved**, an exceedingly ornamental shrub with golden-yellow foliage, the color of which it retains throughout the season. It is as rich in color as the best Coleus or other summer colored foliage bedding plants and having very dense foliage, is of exceeding beauty and value. Flowers same as the Mock Orange. 25 cents each.

## Tamarix, African.

A graceful shrub which in early spring is a complete mass of lovely light pink, spray like blossoms, exceedingly beautiful. The blossoms are followed by a peculiar fine evergreen like foliage, which make a curious looking bush all summer. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Willow, Laurel-Leaved.

One of our favorite shrubs, though it never blooms, but is all the season a compact mass of clear, shining, dark green foliage, which is exceedingly beautiful, as much so, in fact, as the Ficus or India Rubber tree which it resembles, though smaller. It makes a dense bush 4 or 5 feet high, and is very pretty from early spring to late fall. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

## Weigelia.

**Rosea**, a grand shrub which is a mass of fine bell shaped pink blossoms during June. It is one of the most popular and beautiful of all shrubs. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

**Candida**, like the above except pure white in color. 15c. each.

**Grandiflora**, a new giant flowered sort. Extra fine. 25c. each.

**Variegata**, similar to Rosea except it has a more dwarf habit and its leaves are finely variegated with white and green. A most charming foliage shrub. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.



# RAPID GROWING ORNAMENTAL TREES.

We are glad to be able to offer at low prices a few of the most desirable trees for ornament and shade. Every home, be it a mansion or cottage, is both beautified and greatly enhanced in value by a few good trees. There are none better than those here offered and they are most y-such rapid growers that in a very few years they will be large, beautiful and useful. We grow these trees in such enormous quantities that we are able to sell them very low. They are strong, healthy young stock, and sent by mail, post-paid, at prices named; by express we can in most cases, send larger ones. Our customers on the prairies or any one in any part of the country, desiring large handsome trees will have them in two or three years if they plant some Catalpas, Alantbus, Paulownia, &c., at once.

## Catalpa.

### Japanese Hybrid.

As an ornamental or useful tree this is of great value, being one of the most rapid growers of all hardy trees, and one of the most beautiful. From the smallest sprouts it will grow in four or five years to a large size. The foliage is dense, large and luxuriant deep glowing green. It is a most profuse bloomer, being literally loaded with flowers, and remaining in bloom several weeks. The flowers are white, with small purple dots and a touch of yellow around the throat. They have a very pleasant and delicate fragrance, and a tree in bloom not only presents a magnificent spectacle to the eye, but also fills the air for quite a distance with its agreeable odor.

Small trees planted in village lots grow without cultivation in five years to be twenty-five feet high and twenty-four inches in circumference at one foot from the ground. We believe the Japanese Hybrid is destined when known, to take a prominent place in the very front rank of trees for timber, as well as ornamental planting. In rapidity of growth it rivals the most luxuriant trees of temperate climates, while its hardiness has been demonstrated by its standing uninjured 25 degrees or more below zero. Professor Hussmann, of the Missouri State Agricultural College, says: "Massive in all its proportions, it looks like a production of the tropical zone, with immense leaves, followed by immense panicles of flowers; containing sometimes from three to four hundred buds and bloom; contrasting finely with its dark, massive foliage, it may be truly called a regal tree. Plants the size of small straws sent me through the mail last May, which I planted late in that month, have grown this summer seven feet high, and from four to five inches in circumference at the base. I think it is the fastest growing tree I know. It makes a beautiful object on a lawn, and should be in every one's door-yard."



A YOUNG TREE.

PRICE of vigorous well rooted trees, by mail, post-paid, 15 cents each; 5 for 50 cents; 12 for \$1; 30 for \$2; 100 for \$5.

**Catalpa, Kœmpferi**, a Japanese sort, of upright rather slender growth, producing freely, large clusters of flowers, yellow, dotted with purple. The flowers are very fragrant, and this is considered equal to the Linden as a honey producing tree, while its value for timber is surpassed by very few trees. The trees remain in bloom a long time, also blooms occasionally through midsummer. Small trees, the second year from the seed, bloom well, and it will give great satisfaction grown from seed. Desirable for lawn, avenue or timber planting. 15 cents each; 5 for 50 cents; 12 for \$1.

**Seed.**—We can supply seed of both Catalpa Japanese Hybrid and Kœmpferi, at 20 cents per paper. Sow in open ground in May. They germinate quickly and make a very rapid growth. Seedlings grew to the height of four feet with us the past summer in ordinary poor soil. The Kœmpferi will all bloom the second year from seed.





AILANTHUS, OR TREE OF HEAVEN.

## Ailanthus, or Tree of Heaven.

This grand ornamental tree is not unknown in some parts of the country, having been introduced some years ago. Here on Long Island it is probably the most plentiful, and fine specimens of it are quite common. It is the *most rapid grower of all trees*, perfectly hardy in all parts, succeeding in any soil, no matter how poor, and growing from six to ten feet high the first summer from seed, with magnificent leaves five to six feet long, giving it a grand tropical appearance. In fact, nothing so luxuriant can be found outside the tropics. It is a native of China, where it is known as the Tree of Heaven, a name suggested by its majestic form and great beauty. Trees grow to a good height, and bear in the greatest profusion, large panicles of bloom, which are followed by the seed pods hanging in great clusters and colored like autumnal leaves. The cut represents a panicle of bloom, and a seedling tree four months from sowing. These seedlings are beautiful for lawns and flower beds, even finer than *Kicinus* or *Cannas*. Seed, 10 cts. per paper. Young trees by mail, post-paid, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts. Trees make such a rapid growth from seed, that it is fully as desirable to plant seed as it is to set small trees.

## Russian Mulberry.

This valuable fruit and ornamental tree was brought to this country from Western Russia by the Mennonites. The tree is a very rapid grower; trees, the seed of which was planted six years ago, are now twenty feet in height and from six to eight inches in diameter. The tree grows to be very large, often reaching the height of fifty feet, and from three to five feet in diameter, and is perfectly hardy. It commences to bear when two years old, and is a prolific bearer, the fruit being about the size of blackberries. They have a fine aromatic flavor and sub-acid sweet taste, and are used for dessert as we use blackberries or raspberries. A beautiful, quick growing tree for the lawn, while the fruit is valuable for table use. *This is truly a grand tree, both for ornament and fruit.* Fine healthy trees which will fruit in a year or two, by mail, 15c. each; 10 for \$1.

**Seed.**—We can supply seed of the Russian Mulberry at 20 cents per paper. From seed trees grow several feet the first year and fruit in three or four years. They make a fine grove.

## Paulownia Imperialis.

This is from Japan, and is the handsomest foliage tree in cultivation, producing heart shaped leaves several feet across, and making a specimen for the lawn or yard which nothing of the sort can equal. It is not quite hardy in the latitude of New York, and is liable to kill down to the ground any winter, but this is not a great drawback, for it will each spring send up from the root strong shoots which will grow in one season 10 or 12 feet high, and on these are borne its largest and finest leaves. In this way it proves a grand ornamental plant in any Northern state. South of New York it is hardy. Fine trees, 50 cents each. It is, however, best grown from seed. Seed being small, is best started under glass, though trees from a sowing we made in the open ground last May have grown three feet high, with leaves over a foot across. Seed, 15 cts. per pkt.



PAULOWNIA IMPERIALIS.

## Other Rare Trees.

**Cedar of Lebanon**, a beautiful tree and often spoken of in the Bible. It is an interesting tree to possess. 15 cts. each.

**Evergreen Oak**, a novel and beautiful tree, the leaves of which keep bright and green all winter, and give it a summer appearance. It is of low shrubby growth, and the branches of green leaves are elegant for winter decorations. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Cinko Biloba.** This is a charming Maiden Hair tree, whose beauty it is useless to attempt to describe. It is also known as *Salisburnia*, and has foliage like a Maiden-Hair Fern. 20 cents each.

**Horse Chestnut, Double Flowering**, a very rare tree, possessing great beauty both in foliage and flower. We all know the beauty of the common Horse Chestnut, but this far surpasses it. 50 cents each; 3 for \$1.

**Horse Chestnut, Red Flowered**, very beautiful and contrasts lovely with the common white sort. This tree usually sells for \$1 each. Price, 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

**Koelreuteria Paniculata**, a small handsome Chinese tree, bearing large panicles of yellow flowers, and in autumn large inflated seed pods which are exceedingly striking and ornamental. 15 cents each.

**Mountain Ash**, highly ornamental on account of its fine foliage, beautiful flowers and lovely scarlet berries, which hang in great clusters. 10 cents each; 6 for 50 cents.

**Poplar, Golden Leaved**, (Van Geert), a lovely tree with bright yellow leaves, which makes an odd and beautiful appearance. It is one of the most desirable trees to possess. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Tulip Tree**, this is a most magnificent tree, of rapid and beautiful growth, and bearing in May and June thousands of yellowish white flowers the size and shape of Tulips, from which it derives its name. Plant one or two by all means. You can have nothing more beautiful. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Weeping Willow**, an old and highly esteemed tree. 25c. each.

**Spanish Chestnut**, a splendid ornamental tree which bears large crops of delicious nuts. It bears very young. 10 cents each; 6 for 50 cents.

### SPECIAL OFFER.

For only \$2.00 we will send by mail or express one each of the foregoing 16 Rare Ornamental Trees. At regular prices they amount to \$3.45.

## Retinospora Aurea.

A beautiful compact dwarf-growing Evergreen, somewhat like the *Arbor Vitæ*, with golden-yellow instead of green foliage. It is a grand ornament both summer and winter. It is also a novel and beautiful pot plant, its foliage being fine and feathery, and a showy golden color. Strong, select, well-branched young trees, already well established, 50 cents each.



For Garden

AND

Window Culture.



and Other Choice Plants.

For Summer

AND

Winter Blooming

**N**O FLOWER is so universally popular as the **Rose—the Queen of Flowers**—they are everywhere wanted, are nowhere out of place, are always admired, and are the most valuable of all Flowers for bouquets and other floral work. The “Ever Bloomers” are always in bloom, and from a small bed an abundance of beautiful buds can be cut daily. As pot plants for winter bloom they are everywhere cultivated.

THE SECRET OF HAVING GOOD ROSES is in having vigorous and healthy plants. If the health and vigor of a plant is allowed to suffer from the time they are propagated until large enough to be sent out, it will never fully recover, but will always be a weak grower and a poor bloomer. Knowing the importance of this, we use every possible care to produce plants of great strength and vigor, and it is for this reason the plants we send out produce such an unusual large amount of the largest and finest flowers. Those who plant our Roses are sure to be delighted with them. Their great superiority over most other Roses usually set out can be seen from the start.

Our complete system of mailing Roses and other plants in strong wooden boxes, insures their carrying to the remotest parts of the Union in perfect order.

PRICE of all Roses, except Mosses, 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 7 for \$1; 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$3.



EVERBLOOMING ROSE.

## Everblooming Roses.

The Everblooming or Monthly Roses mostly belong to the class known as **Teas**, and their free flowering qualities make them the most popular of all Roses. Plants begin to bloom when very small and grow rapidly, producing a great profusion of choice flowers all the summer and fall. In pots they bloom nearly the whole year. In the open ground they are not hardy north of New York without protection during winter. Nothing makes a finer show bed on the lawn, or in the garden than a mass of Roses, and from a dozen plants a bunch of choice flowers can be cut every day during the entire summer and fall.

**Bon Silene**, deep rosy pink.

**Catherine Mermet**, fine satin rose, a grand sort.

**Cornelia Cook**, very large buds, pure white; extra.

**Coquette de Lyon**, rich canary yellow; extra fine.

**Countesse Anna Thun**, new and very beautiful, extra large full flowers, fine cupped form, petals thick and of good substance, color golden orange yellow, elegantly shaded with saffron and rich coppery red, deepening at centre to rosy crimson, very distinct and handsome.

**Etoile de Lyon**, fine brilliant yellow; new and splendid.

**Hermosa**, clear rose, very free; extra fine.

**Isabella Sprunt**, canary yellow; excellent.

**Madame Camille**, salmon pink, veined white.

**Madame Cusin**, bright purplish crimson, with white center, tinged and shaded with yellow; very sweet and beautiful.

**Madame Welch**, fine amber yellow, very large and double.

**Malmalson**, color clear waxy blush, very full and double, of enormous size; one of the sweetest and best roses known.

**Marie Culliot**, fine white, tinged yellow; large and very double; extra fine.

**Marie Van Houtte**, white, edged rose and tinged yellow; fine form; extra.

**Marshal Nell**, deep golden yellow, large and double; fine climber.

**Mad. Scillon Cochet**, beautiful creamy rose, with deep crimson centre, flowers large, somewhat tulip shaped, quite full, and very sweet, a good constant bloomer, very handsome and striking.

**Madame Agatha Nabonnand**, this superbly beautiful rose resembles in color the delicate hues seen in the inside of the fairest deep sea shells, rosy flesh, bathed in golden amber, immense egg-shaped buds, broad shell-like petals, and large full flowers exceedingly sweet.

**Madame de Watteville**, this grand Rose is one of the most beautiful varieties lately introduced, and merits all the praise we can give it. The growth is vigorous; flowers very sweet, full, and of good form; color creamy yellow, shaded carmine. The petals are large and shell like, each one having a distinct border of bright carmine. The buds of this variety resemble a Tulip, and are very fragrant.

**Niphetos**, pure white, fine bud.

**Perle des Jardins**, buds large and full, and of the most beautiful golden yellow color.

**Pink Daily**, light pink flowers in clusters.

**Papa Contier**, a new Rose of great beauty. Flowers large and long, with thick, broad petals, of a dark, rich carmine color. Deliciously fragrant, and a great bloomer at all times. We know of no better Rose.

**Princess de Radziwill**, rich crimson flowers, beautifully shaded bright coral red, large, full and erect, long, finely formed conical bush, highly perfumed, very handsome and valuable.

**Queen's Scarlet**, the improved Agrippina. Rich velvety crimson, very double and sweet and borne in great abundance. We know of no better Rose of its color.

**Reine Marie Henriette**, brilliant crimson, large; a perpetual blooming climber.

**Saffrano**, saffron yellow; splendid bud.

**Sombrieul**, a large beautifully formed and free-blooming variety, pure white, edged and tinged with silvery rose, very sweet; foliage very healthy and vigorous.

**Sunset**, rich golden amber, elegantly shaded.

**Therese Lambert**, elegant and very handsome, in form and color, delicate rose color, base of petals finely tinged with old gold, centre pale silvery salmon, very fragrant, large, very full and good, one of the best of the year.

**The Bride**, the finest of all white Tea Roses. Buds and blossoms are very large, and of the most exquisite form, very double, often measuring four inches across. The blossoms are more durable than any Rose we know, and last a long time when cut and placed in water. The exquisite, delicate white blossoms are borne on long graceful stems, and in great profusion.



## Hybrid Perpetual Roses.



HYBRID PERPETUALS.

Though the Hybrid Perpetuals do not bloom as freely as the Teas, they produce the largest and finest flowers, the perfume of which is exquisite. They bloom considerably during the summer and fall, but their greatest season of beauty is June, when every plant will be loaded down with such a profusion of buds and blossoms as to resemble a mass of solid color. They are perfectly hardy, thriving from year to year with but little care or attention. Our list comprises the best varieties of this class of Roses to be found in this country.

**Anna de Diesbach**, dazzling crimson, very large.

**Antoine Mouton**, brilliant scarlet, large, sweet and vigorous.

**Countess of Oxford**, velvety carmine, shaded violet.

**Coquette des Blanchés**, pure snowy white, sometimes faintly tinged with pale rose; blooms in large clusters; flowers medium size, full and pretty, and slightly fragrant; blooms the first year and all through the season.

**Duc de Cazis**, blackish violet purple, large and fine.

**Fannie Pitzold**, fine rosy blush, edged violet.

**Genl. Jacqueminot**, intensely velvety scarlet; extra fine.

**George IV.**, fine dark sort; very vigorous.

**John Hopper**, brilliant rose, large and full.

**Madame Charles Wood**, bright crimson, purple shaded; profuse bloomer.

**Madame Chirard**, beautiful clear pink; magnificent.

**Magna Charta**, rosy pink, flushed with crimson.

**Perfection des Blanchés**, pure white, strong grower and profuse bloomer, very sweet; extra fine.

**Paul Neyron**, the flowers are immense; it is probably the largest Rose grown, and one of the finest; bright shining pink, very clear and beautiful; very double and full, finely scented; blooms the first season and all summer.

**Alfred Colomb**, justly celebrated as one of the very finest Hybrid Perpetual Roses; extra large, round flowers, very double and full; color, clear, cherry red, passing to bright rich crimson; very fragrant.

## Climbing Roses.

Climbing Roses are very beautiful for trellises, fences, old trees, arbors, or training over doors or windows. Their flowers are large and showy and borne in great profusion. They grow rapidly and are perfectly hardy everywhere.

**Baltimore Belle**, pale blush, profuse bloomer; very fine.

**Cem of the Prairie**, bright crimson; extra fine.

**Magnolia**, white, with buff center; very double.

**Seven Sisters**, in large clusters, no two alike; white to crimson.

**Queen of the Prairie**, clear bright pink, large and full; blooms in large clusters.

## Hybrid Tea Roses.

A new class of Hardy Monthly Roses, producing flowers as large and fragrant as the Hybrid Perpetuals, with the delicate colors and free flowering qualities of the Teas. They are very fine indeed.

**Countess of Pembroke**, soft satiny pink, elegantly shaded with rosy peach. A strong, vigorous grower; very sweet.

**La France**, pale peach, with fine rose centre, a constant bloomer; extra fine.

**Mad. Etienne Levet**, intense glowing crimson; a constant bloomer; very sweet.

**William Francis Bennett**, a new Hybrid Tea of great merit, particularly valuable for winter blooming. The buds are large and of the most vivid deep velvet crimson color and delicious perfume. Its flowers are of enormous size and borne almost as freely as a Tea Rose at all times of the year.



HYBRID TEA ROSE.

**Docteur Pasteur**, a splendid novelty, imported from Paris and highly recommended. Extra long-pointed buds, with fine large globular flowers. Color brilliant carmine rose, shading to bronze red, very rich and handsome.

**Duchess of Connaught**, large, very full and finely formed; color, delicate silvery rose, with bright salmon center; a charming Rose of excellent quality; very highly scented and distinct.

**Madame Schwaller**, blooms in large clusters; large globular flowers; color transparent salmon rose; very delicate and tender; petals finely edged with violet carmine, highly perfumed; plant is a vigorous grower, good habit, and profuse bloomer; very fine.

## Polyanthus Rose.

The Polyanthus or Fairy Roses are about the size of a 25 cent piece, and borne in such clusters that the whole plant seems a mass of flowers. They are very sweet-scented, and bloom profusely from early summer to late fall. The plants are compact, bushy and quite hardy.

**Cecile Bruner**, rosy pink, passing to white.

**Little Gem**, creamy white; very free and perfect in form.

**Mignonette**, clear pink; very sweet and beautiful.

**Pasquerette**, fine white, large clusters.

**Perle d'Or**, fine coppery gold color; elegant bud and very sweet.

**Miniature**, a new Polyantha Rose, the finest of its class. Flowers very double and borne in immense clusters. The plant appears to be smothered with blooms, so great is its profusion. Color delicate rose, changing to pure white, so that both colors are represented in the same cluster, giving it a novel and beautiful appearance.

## Moss Roses.

Price, 30 cents each; four for \$1.

The Moss Rose Bud is the most exquisitely beautiful of all Roses. It is the Queen of Queens. Moss Roses are perfectly hardy, and grow in any soil as freely as ordinary Roses. Every garden should have a few at least.

**Captain Ingram**, brilliant carmine; large and mossy.

**Countess de Murinace**, pure white; extra fine.

**Clory of Mosses**, fine crimson.

**Henry Martin**, fine rosy pink.

**Raphael**, blush; extra.

**Blanche Moreau**, this fine double, pure white Moss Rose, blooms all summer. It is perfectly hardy and will stand any climate. Very valuable.



NEW  
PERPETUAL**STORM****KING**FLOWERING  
FUCHSIA.

The above cut is a true photograph of a plant of **CHILDS' DOUBLE PERPETUAL FLOWERING WEEPING FUCHSIA "STORM KING,"** introduced by us, and is the finest flowering plant of the age. It is always in bloom, often as many as 200 buds and blossoms on a plant at once. The branches droop most gracefully, and the blossoms are frequently as large as teacups. The buds, for two weeks before they expand, are balls of glowing scarlet crimson. When expanded, the enormous double flowers are almost pure white, capped by a calyx of glowing scarlet; and when a plant is loaded with buds and blossoms it presents a sight which for true grandeur and beauty no flower can surpass. They are of the easiest culture and will grow and bloom freely with ordinary care in any window or garden. Price of strong plants which will soon bloom, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

## Fuchsias.

The Fuchsia is probably the most graceful and beautiful of all window plants. It has a beauty peculiar to itself, the elegant drooping blossoms of various forms, sizes and colors, and clean healthy foliage give the plant a grace and neatness which is unsurpassed. We make a specialty of this elegant plant, and offer below the most beautiful and charming sorts in cultivation. As the introducer of "Storm King," we claim the credit of giving to the public the grandest flowering plants in existence. Fuchsias do best when planted in pots and plunged in the ground along the north side of a fence or building during summer, where they will flower very nicely and can be lifted and brought in for winter blooming without checking their growth in the least.

**Admiral Courbet**, enormous double flower, corolla deep violet, tube and sepals bright red. 15 cents.

**Speciosa**, flowers long and graceful, color light and dark pink. 15 cents.

**Pres. Cunther**, sepals light red; corolla violet. 20 cents.

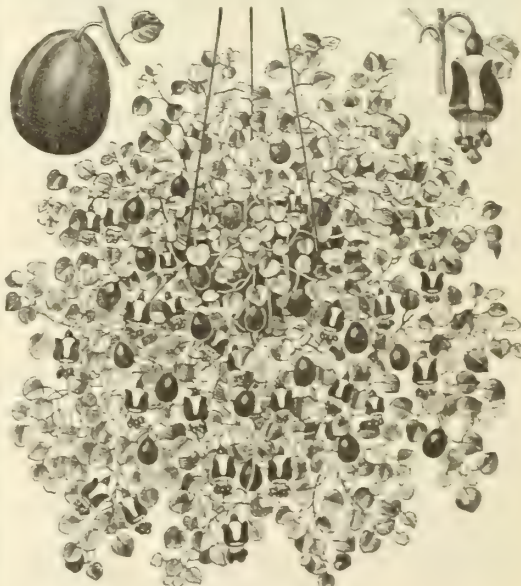
**Phenomenal**, the new Giant Fuchsia. This is a new sort of great merit. The plant is a tall, strong grower, branching like a tree. Its flowers are of enormous size, as large as teacups and very double; sepals scarlet, corolla rich violet purple. 25 cents.

**Fulgens**, the tuberous rooted Fuchsia, a grand old sort which has nearly gone out of existence. It has a bulb like a Dahlia, is a strong grower, and produces large clusters of flowers, the tubes of which are four or five inches long. Color orange scarlet. It is a grand sort. 25 cents.

**Perle Von Brunn**, this is an erect growing Storm King. Flowers the same size and color, but an erect instead of a drooping habit. Splendid. 25 cents.

**Procumbens**, (trailing), as a Fuchsia this is indeed a novel and interesting sort, and one of great value and beauty, especially for hanging pots and baskets. It is probably the prettiest trailing plant in existence. The mass of wavy vines covered with pretty leaves, bright flowers and red berries hanging over the sides of a pot, basket or vase are exceedingly attractive. The flowers are small and show several colors, the anthers being blue. The seed vessels

grow to the size and shape of robins eggs and change from green to deep crimson red, and in this showy condition hang to the vine for six months or longer, and are one of the principal beauties of the plant. It also grows freely in the open ground, and is hardy in most parts of the country, losing its leaves in winter, but retaining its bright berries, and in spring commencing a fresh growth of foliage and flowers. 20 cents; 3 for 50 cents.



FUCHSIA PROCUMBENS.





SINGLE GERANIUM.



DOUBLE GERANIUM.

## Geraniums.

From the large list of splendid new double and single Geraniums now offered we have selected a few as being particularly fine, and which can be furnished at a low price. They are of recent introduction and have received universal praise which they justly merit. They all produce very large flowers and trusses which are of the most vivid colors and free flowering qualities. It is useless for us to say anything in praise of this showy flower. For bedding or for pot culture they are everywhere popular. We will only say that the improvement in Geraniums during the past five years has been very great, and the varieties here offered will surprise those who have not seen the best new sorts. Our plants are grown with great care, young, vigorous and healthy, from which splendid results can be expected. Do not confound them with cheap sorts.

Price of all Geraniums, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.50.

## Double Geraniums.

- B. K. Bliss**, vivid scarlet, one of the very largest and best.
- Grand Chancellor Faidherbe**, deep crimson maroon.
- Hoff Beach**, deep amaranth, shaded purple.
- La Fraicheur**, tender lilac rose, grand flower.
- L. Cannell**, very dark amaranth red; fine.
- Mary Cerring**, beautiful pink.
- Peach Blossom**, elegant blush.
- Queen of the Fairies**, beautiful light pink.
- Sunlight**, intense fiery salmon.
- White Swan**, a new variety of a dwarf bushy habit, bearing in great profusion large trusses of large double snow white flowers, which are exceedingly perfect and beautiful. It is without doubt the finest double white sort in existence.
- Bruant**, intense scarlet, free bloomer.

## Single Geraniums.

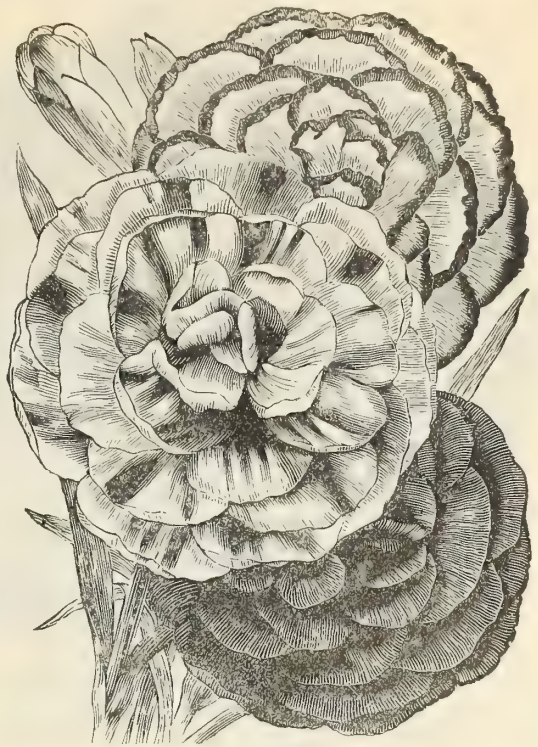
- Anna Scott**, deep crimson.
- Ettie**, bright scarlet, white eye; fine.
- Jasper**, salmon.
- Miss Blanche**, very large, deep purplish pink.
- M. Chevreul**, a splendid sort; violet red.
- Mrs. Garfield**, finest pure white.
- Mrs. Windsor**, blush white, with large scarlet eye; splendid.

## New Double-Flowered Ivy-Leaved Geraniums.

This magnificent new form of Geraniums recently introduced from England and France, is one of the most glorious gems of the floral world. Its bright, glossy, ivy-like leaves, graceful and trailing habit, and numerous trusses of large, double, gay colored flowers combine to form an object of the most striking contrasts and beauty. Always robust and healthy, they are of the easiest culture either in pots, hanging baskets, or the open ground, in windows, conservatories or the open garden. **Cloire D'Orleans**, beautiful rich crimson magenta flowers produced in great abundance; habit, dwarf and compact. **Jeanne d'Arc**, pure white, very double and fine. **La Rosaire**, fine rose. **Mary Chevreul**, beautiful peach blossom.

## Pelargoniums.

These, better known as Lady Washington Geraniums, are the most beautiful of the geranium tribe. Flowers very large and of the most beautiful colors and markings. We have a magnificent variety, all of the finest large flowering sorts. They are superb. 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.



CARNATIONS.

## Carnations, Perpetual-Flowering.

The Carnation's home is wherever flowers are loved and seen throughout the civilized world, and it is most justly a universal favorite. Its free-blooming qualities, ease of culture, beautiful form and colors, and delicious perfume are qualities which recommend it to every one. In growing this flower it is better to have young plants every spring to plant out. They will flower more or less during the summer and in the fall can be potted and brought inside for winter blooming, and are almost certain to do well. In spring they can again be bedded out and will bloom finely all the season, but will be too much exhausted for another winter's blooming. The following are the best known varieties. Price, one year old plants, 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; or the 8 for \$1.

- Secretary Windom**, the most brilliant scarlet yet seen in Carnations. Plant free grower and constant bloomer.
- Secretary McVeigh**, very large, pure white, with delicate rose shadings. One of the most pleasing colors yet offered.
- Secretary James**, a grand Carnation. Ground color the purest white, striped very deep scarlet and crimson, flowers of immense size and perfect form.
- Secretary Hunt**, very large pure white flowers. A free bloomer and compact habit.
- Buttercup**, fine yellow, very beautiful and the best of its color.
- Hantze's White**, light buff white, very fine.
- Poe**, cream, speckled with purple; novel.
- Sunrise**, beautiful salmon and crimson.
- Star of the West**, crimson, striped pink and white, elegant.
- Silver Sprey**, a most charming pure white variety. Large flower in great profusion; habit dwarf and compact.
- Anna Webb**, dark crimson black, a very rich and fine color.

## Dracæna Indivisa.

A rare foliage plant for house culture or for baskets or vases outside. It has long narrow green leaves which curve most gracefully in a fine circular form. For a center piece in a basket or vase it is one of the best of all plants. It is very rare and seldom seen. 25 cents each.



## Chrysanthemums.

We have this year reduced our list of varieties from several hundred down to the following, which are the cream of all. Every one is a rare and grand sort.

No plant has been so greatly improved during the past few years as the Chrysanthemum, and surely there is not a more satisfactory one in cultivation at the present time. Those who have never seen these grand new sorts in bloom can form no idea of their great beauty. For blooming in October and November, no plant can compare with them. For both out-door and in-door cultivation they are ahead of all other flowers. They can be kept in pots all the year, or placed out during summer. In a sheltered situation they will bloom finely in the open ground; but they produce the best results when potted in September and brought inside to bloom, where they will make a fine display for two months. After blooming they should be placed in a cellar or pit until spring. We have made Chrysanthemums a great specialty, and hope to extend their culture, as we know they are always more than satisfactory. In fact, blooming as they do in November, when all flowers are scarce, makes them a necessity to every cultivator of flowers. They are of the easiest culture, and absolutely sure to do well. Try our Chrysanthemum seed offered elsewhere. It will grow and bloom elegantly the first year, producing a grand display of choice forms and colors.

Price of all Chrysanthemums, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 8 for \$1; 20 for \$2.

## Japanese Chrysanthemums.

The Japanese varieties are very fine, varied and irregular in form, gay and beautiful in colors. By many the Japanese are admired more than any other class of Chrysanthemums. They are very beautiful.

**Cloriosum**, immense flowers of a brilliant lemon color; petals gracefully curved and twisted.

**President Arthur**, flowers 7 inches across, formed of long needle-like quills, which open in whorls. Color, rose.

**M. Freeman**, beautiful pink; best of its color.

**Domination**, a Japanese of enormous size, pure white, and perfectly double; one of the finest for specimen flowers.

**Mrs. Langtry**, an enormous incurved Japanese, flowers one foot across, outer petals long and quilled, inside ones flat and beautifully incurved; color, pure white; charming.

**Mrs. Gilmore**, another incurved Japanese, exactly like Mrs. Langtry in size and shape, but soft, delicate, silvery pink in color; grand.

**Christmas Eve**, pure white, petals curved and twisted, forming a flower of peculiar appearance and great beauty; it is the latest sort to bloom, and is good at Christmas.

**Mrs. Frank Thompson**, large, incurved Japanese, with broad petals, lined and mottled deep pink, with silvery back; very distinct and beautiful.

**M. H. Elliott**, salmon, with yellow center, petals long and twisted; beautiful.

**Eugene Mezard**, Japanese; fine dark amaranth.

**Mrs. Geo. I. Tyson**, an enormous flower of the Incurved Japanese type, very double and perfect in form, with quilled outer petals. Color light magenta purple.

**Geo. W. Childs**, rich, purple red, reverse of petal light bronze; enormous flower with broad petals, the center ones of which curve inward most gracefully, and perfectly showing both of its rich colors to great advantage.

We will send the above 12 Japanese for \$1.25.

## Reflexed Chinese Chrysanthemums.

The "Reflexed" are large, double, flat-petaled varieties, which are exceedingly showy.

**Pres. Lavell**, reddish brown.

**Freycent**, white-mottled pink.

**Cullingford**, enormous flower of the darkest and richest crimson.

**Coriolan**, dark crimson black; a grand color; plant a great bloomer, and exceedingly showy.

**Nevada**, enormous flower, with broad petals, snow white; a grand specimen flower.

**Prince of Orange**, bright yellow, reflexed, petals bordered with red.

We will send the above 6 varieties for 75 cents.

## Anemone-Flowered Chrysanthemums.

These are very beautiful, and distinct from all other sorts. They have three or four rows of beautiful broad petals, and a center formed of small tubular star-like florets of a different color, which gives the flower a charming appearance. In this class there are both large flowered and pompons.

**Timbal d'Argent**, large white; very fine.

**Antonius**, fine canary yellow (Pompon).

**Koko**, a giant-flowered anemone; petals rosy lilac, center creamy white; excellent.

**Louis Bonamy**, lilac, gold center; large.

**St. Margaret**, yellow, large bronzy center.

**Princess**, a beautiful, large anemone, of fine form and pure white color.

**Preferred**, rosy lilac with lilac and yellow center. Extra fine.

One plant each of above Anemone-Flowered for 75 cents.



ANEMONE FLOWERED CHRYSANTHEMUM.



## Incurved Chinese Chrysanthemums.

Chrysanthemums are the glory of autumn, and the glory of all the Chrysanthemum tribe is a distinct form known as "Incurved," as the petals curve inward, and thus form a flower of the most perfect shape, nearly as round as a ball, and being of great size, very double, and borne in great numbers, they make a truly beautiful plant.

**Cherub**, splendid, old-gold color; magnificent.

**Lady St. Clair**, pure white; large and fine.

**Isabella Bott**, enormous sized incurved flower, of snowy whiteness, and round as a ball; one of the very best.

**Prince Alfred**, rosy crimson.

**M. V. Morel**, light pink.

**Bendigo**, fine yellow.

**James C. Blaine**, the richest, deepest and darkest maroon yet seen.

One plant each of above 7 Incurved for 75 cents.



POMPON CHRYSANTHEMUM.

## Pompon Chrysanthemums.

These are very beautiful indeed. Their small, perfect-shaped flowers, as double as Roses, and borne in such great profusion, make them objects of great beauty. A good variety of Pompons should be found in every garden.

**Black Douglas**, a large-flowered Pompon, which is almost black in color, each petal having so small a gold tip that the compact double blossoms look as though they were sprinkled with gold dust; excellent.

**Val d'Or**, the finest golden-yellow Pompon; flowers in great trusses, round shape, and the most glowing yellow.

**Lucreece**, bronze red with deep gold, in dense clusters.

**Princess Meletia**, beautiful bluish white, large size.

**Parquerette**, the finest of all Pompons; lilac rose, imbricated, very beautiful form and graceful habit; magnificent.

**White Bedder**, a beautiful Pompon, of dwarf, bushy growth, snow-white color and beautiful form. It blooms freely in August, and continues until December, making it a particularly valuable sort.

We will send the above 6 Pompons for 75 cents.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**—For only \$3.00 we will send one good plant each of the foregoing 36 magnificent Chrysanthemums. This is less than 10 cents apiece. Remember that these varieties are all of the VERY FINEST of their class, and are sold by many at 25 to 50 cents each.



ABUTILON.

## Abutilons, Perpetual.

A charming class of free-flowering plants which grow and blossom the whole year. Their flowers are large and bell-shaped, and of elegant colors. The foliage is very beautiful; in fact, if they did not bloom at all they would still be worthy of culture on account of their elegant leaves. They make a splendid show in the open ground during summer.

**Rosaeflora**, beautiful rose.

**Snowstorm**, beautiful pure white.

**Gigantea Multiflora**, a seedling raised by Mr. Davis of the Treasury gardens in Washington. A strong, rank grower, producing in great numbers orange brown flowers of gigantic size. A splendid novelty.

**New Double**, one of the grandest of all plants for house culture or for planting out during summer. It has beautiful maple-like leaves of a lovely green color, spotted and mottled with yellow, which gives the plant a most beautiful and odd appearance. The flowers are perfectly double, rich deep orange, shaded and streaked with crimson.

**Good Gracious**. A seedling raised by us which proves to be most curious and beautiful. The plant is a handsome, free grower, the blooming shoots producing two flowers at the axil of each leaf, one of which is a beautiful orange red, the other deep crimson. The two blossoms of different colors growing in pairs on the same plant is indeed a novel and beautiful feature.

**Grandiflora**, an enormous flower, and borne in great abundance. Fine deep yellow.

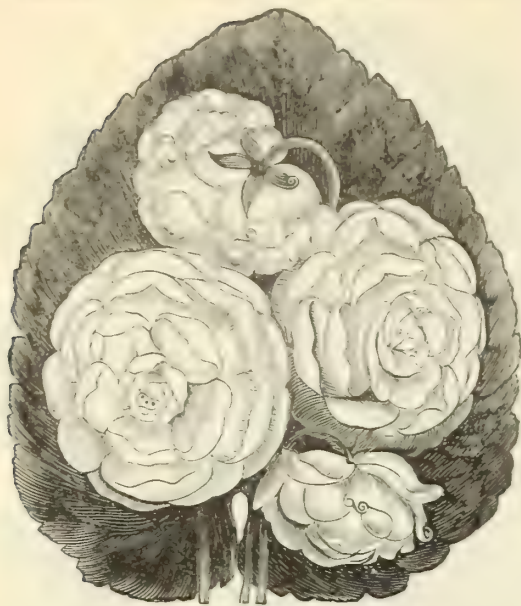
**Eclipse**, a fine sort, of a drooping habit, and its flowers droop like a Fuchsia. Its leaves are very handsome, being green and yellow variegated. Flowers dark yellow, with a deep red center. Always full of bloom.

PRICE, 20 cts. each; any 3 for 50 cts.; or the 7 for \$1.00. They are all extra fine, perpetual blooming varieties.

## Kleinia Ficoid.

This is often called Candle Plant in reference to the appearance of the stem. It is a leafless plant, producing numerous round stems the size of a pipe-stem or larger. These stems are completely covered with a white woolly substance, and look very pretty, and are often taken for some species of Cacti. A specimen plant is, indeed, an attractive and curious object, and will prove a novelty in any collection of plants. The flower-heads are orange-yellow. 50 cents each.





VIOLET, SWANLEY WHITE.

## NEW DOUBLE WHITE

## Perpetual Flowering Violet.

**Swanley White**, of all the varied and beautiful novelties in plants which are being introduced, this is one of the best. As a plant for pot culture in the house for winter and spring blooming, or for planting in the garden or in frames it is equally valuable. In pots it grows luxuriantly and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. The growth of the plant is vigorous and healthy, bearing in great numbers very large, perfectly double flowers of pure snowy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. They can be grown in pots or in the open ground. If desired particularly for winter flowering they do best if planted out in the spring and potted in September, and if the buds are pinched off during the summer the plants will be all the stronger for winter. It is not uncommon for a plant to have as many as fifty large flowers open at once, and they present a beautiful sight and perfume a whole room. Though this Violet is called "Perpetual," it is difficult to get it to bloom during the hot weather. It blooms elegantly in fall, winter and spring. Strong, healthy plants, 15c. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**Double Purple Violet, Maria Louise**, to contrast with the white we offer this fine double, deep bluish purple, sweet-scented variety, recently introduced. Desirable for pots or the garden, plants hardy and bloom almost as freely as the white, especially in winter and spring. Flowers large and sweet. Next to Swanley White, it is the best of all violets. 15 cents each; 8 for \$1.

## Three Elegant Hydrangeas.

**Ramnius Picta**, a new sort for pot culture, which is simply grand. The flowers are pinkish blue in color, and borne in enormous panicles, which keep perfect a long time. It is very attractive. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

**Rosea**, a splendid sort, bearing large panicles of beautiful rose colored blossoms which change to blue. It is a profuse bloomer, and an elegant pot plant. New and very rare. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

**Thos. Hogg**, pure white, very large and fine. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

For 75 cents we will send one plant each of the three.

## Hoya Carnosa.

We have a fine stock of this beautiful Wax plant, which is such an elegant climber, with clusters of charming wax-like blossoms. 25 cents each.



PASSIFLORAS.

## Passifloras.

All have heard of the great beauty of the Passion-flowers, though but very few have seen them in bloom, as they are by no means common. They are elegant, rapid growing vines, adapted to window and greenhouse culture, or in the open ground during summer. The flowers are beautiful beyond description. See our special offer for the three sorts.

**Constance Elliott**, a most valuable novelty. Vine a rapid grower, short jointed and quite hardy. It will winter in the open ground as far north as Massachusetts, with slight protection. The flowers are of medium size, ivory white in color and exquisitely fragrant. It commences to bloom when very small, and the smallest plants will bloom in a very short time after planting. Grand as a pot plant for window culture, 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Arc-en-Ciel**, the flowers of Passiflora Arc-en-Ciel, or Arch of Heaven, have the same delightful fragrance as the Narcissus. In color the raised part is pure white, the center citron colored, the outer circle dark and the inner white, shaded to blue; a truly lovely combination. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cents.

**Pfordti**, a beautiful flower with a great combination of colors. It blooms freely when only a feet high. It is the best sort, especially for window culture, as it is of very dwarf growth. 25 cents each.

**Special Offer.**—For only 50 cents we will send one each of the three fine sorts.

## Tradescantia Multicolor.

This is a beautiful trailing vine, the foliage of which is composed of many colors; bronze, silver, pink, gray, rose, crimson, etc. It is very beautiful, and will grow in any part of any light room, whether the sun strikes it or not. It grows rapidly and propagates freely. Very beautiful for decorating. 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents.

## Ficus Elastica.

This is the beautiful India Rubber tree which is so greatly prized for its beautiful foliage. Fine plants, 75 cents each.





Filifera Palm.

## Palm, Washingtonia Filifera.

A beautiful Palm is one of the finest additions that can be made to any collection of plants, but the high prices of the best varieties have prevented most people from possessing one. Then, again, there are but few of the best sorts which succeed well with ordinary window culture. It is therefore with pleasure that we are now able to offer one of the most beautiful sorts in existence, and one that is hardy and robust enough to succeed anywhere, at a price which brings it within the reach of all. It has elegant dark green, fan-shaped leaves, from which hang thread-like filaments as seen in the cut. The plant is a compact grower, well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will flourish in any window for anybody, making a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda, or be placed in any shady place about the garden or yard, or used for a centre in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. All Palms of the fan-leaved sorts have, when young, leaves of a long, narrow shape, developing the round fan-shaped ones as they grow older. Therefore, when you get your plants and see long leaves instead of round ones, do not think that a wrong sort has been sent you. We have a large stock of this elegant Palm, and offer it very cheap. Strong plants 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 7 for \$1.00.

**Seed.**—The seed of this magnificent Palm is nearly the size of peas, and are as easily grown and sure to germinate. Per paper, 15 cents.

## A Rare Hibiscus.

**Hibiscus Chinensis Giganteus.** This is a plant for house culture during winter or summer, or for plunging outside during summer. It blooms at all times of the year. The plant makes a large, hard-wooded shrub like an Oleander, branching freely and flowering profusely, commencing to bloom when not more than a foot high. As a specimen plant for large pots or tubs it has an equal only in the Brugmansia. Its flowers are of enormous size, often 8 to 10 inches across, opening flat, and of such a vivid crimson scarlet color that they can be seen for a long distance like a flaming torch. It is hard to find anything among flowers more strikingly showy. A large specimen plant plunged in the ground here at Floral Park together with a Brugmansia, was all the past summer a center of attraction. They can be wintered in a cellar or pit with perfect safety, and if one does not care to grow them all winter, one should have one or two for summer display. No plant is surer to grow and thrive under any treatment than this, and few can ever be so satisfactory. Strong plants 30 cents each.

## Gazania Splendens.

A most beautiful plant either for pot culture or bedding out during summer. It is of a low trailing habit like an ice plant, and producing freely large blossoms of a bright orange color, and having a jet black circle at the base of the petals. On each petal in the line of this circle is a pure white spot. The combination is striking and pretty. 20 cts. each.



## Eletteria Cardamomum.



ELETTERIA CARDAMOMUM.

A plant little known and hardly in cultivation in this country, but one of great beauty and usefulness. Its foliage and general habit closely resembles that of a Canna, but rarely grows over two feet high. The leaves have a highly aromatic fragrance, which is very fine, especially for scenting clothes or working into bouquets or vases of flowers. The seeds are also highly aromatic, and when taken in the mouth have a pleasant taste, and add a delicious fragrance to the breath. For this purpose they are often sold at high prices. The foliage of the plant is in itself highly ornamental, to say nothing of its fragrance, but when in bloom it is indeed charming. It blooms during the fall or early winter. Flowers white, borne in spikes, and closely resembling some of the most beautiful orchids, and last for weeks before fading. 25 cents each.



HIBISCUS CHINENSIS GIGANTEUS.



# ESTABLISHED CACTI.

We say **ESTABLISHED**, as the Plants we offer are all pot grown, with plenty of roots, acclimated, strong and vigorous, and every one will live and flourish.

**T**HE CACTI is a most curious, beautiful, and rare class of plants, and are admired wherever flowers are loved and grown. When once established no plant is easier to manage or more satisfactory in results. The one great cause which has kept it out of general cultivation, is the fact that it has not been cultivated and offered for sale in good growing condition. With very few exceptions, wherever plants have been offered they have been collected stock, gathered at their native haunts in Mexico, thrown into barrels like potatoes, sent north for sale, and reach the amateur, after being knocked about in this manner for several months. The result is that nine out of every ten dies, and the purchaser feels discouraged and gives up trying to grow them. We have gone into the Cacti business on an entirely new principle, and one that is sure to succeed and give satisfaction to our customers, viz.: We grow and propagate many sorts either from cuttings or seed. The Mexican sorts we collect in large lots, and have them sent here to our greenhouses, where we grow them in pots for a year or more before offering them, for sale. They become acclimated, well rooted, strong and vigorous, and every one we send out is sure to give satisfaction. Our prices may in some cases be higher than those who sell collected trash or cuttings but if you try a few they will please you so much that you will add to your collection every year.

Our collection embraces only the rarest and most desirable kinds, and of many of these we have the finest stock in the country. Cacti are fast becoming one of the most popular of all pot plants, and well do they deserve it, for they are both curious and beautiful, and very easily grown. In pots give them clear sand and rich soil mixed half and half, and water sparingly. They will live months without a drop of water. For bedding sand in summer plant them in a sandy soil and an exposed sunny situation. A few Cacti prove a most interesting feature to any collection of plants. We have studied them carefully and these here offered are the **VERY BEST**.



ANHALONIUM WILLIAMSII.

**Anhalonium Williamsii.**—The plant is round, without spines. Root long and turnip-shaped; a very curious Cactus indeed, and extremely attractive; flowers palerose. As the plant becomes older it produces little offshoots that root very easy, and will make fine large plants. 25 cents each.

**Cereus Flagelliformis.** Under the popular name of Rat-tail Cactus, this plant is well known. The stems are very slender, about half an inch in diameter, and they grow to the length of four or six feet, being of pendulous habit. When flowering, this has a most striking effect, the bright rosy-colored flowers, which are produced in spring and early summer, being extremely attractive. Owing to its pendulous habit this species is generally seen to better advantage growing in a hanging pot or basket than in any other way. It is a fine species which everyone should possess. 20 cents each.



CEREUS FLAGELLIFORMIS.

**Cereus Tuberosa**, one to four feet high, covered with a delicate lacework of interlacing white spines, flowers pale rose, very large and beautiful. This sort has a tuberous root like a small dahlia, and is one of the most interesting to grow. 35 cents each.



CEREUS GRANDIFLORA.

**Cereus Grandiflora**, the true Night Blooming Cereus from the Miter Mountains of Mexico. Has deliciously fragrant white flowers, a foot across, and of a fascinating beauty impossible to describe. It is a free and rapid grower. 40 cents each.

**Cereus Nycticalis**, like grandiflorus, except larger and yellowish in color. A grand night bloomer. 50 cents each.

**Cereus Giganteus**, the Giant Cactus, growing in Mexico to the height of 40 or 50 feet. As pot plants, when small (1 to 6 feet), they are very stately and majestic. \$2.00 each.

**Cereus Colubrinus**, a grand sort, growing in a straight column to several feet in height, and covered with beautiful whitish spines. It bears most lovely white flowers of enormous size and great beauty, followed by large fruit, almost the color and size of an orange. 75 cents each.

**Cereus Colubrinus Baumannii**, like the above except darker spines, and flowers which are brilliant vermillion and orange yellow. One of the very rarest and finest sorts known. \$2.50 each.

**Cereus Speciosissima**, the enormous flowers are rich crimson with a delicate purple shading toward the center. The flowers keep perfect several days and it is not uncommon for a good sized plant to have more than 100 of these gigantic flowers open at once. \$1.00 each.





CEREUS CAESPITOSUS.

**Cereus Caespitosus**, this is one of the most charming Mexican species, and nearly always blooms in a few weeks after planting. Even when only one or two inches high it will produce one or more of its lovely flowers. It is bright magenta in color, double and three inches across. Don't fail to plant this lovely sort. 50 cents each.



CEREUS OLUBRINUS.



CEREUS TRIANGULARIS.

**Cereus Speciosa**, much like the above except the flowers are smaller, and light pink in color. 30 cents each.

**Cereus Triangularis**, this is not a free bloomer, but the great beauty of its flowers make up for this scarcity. Flowers pure white, measuring 12 to 14 inches across and are followed by bright scarlet fruit the size of a goose egg and of a flavor like the strawberry. It has often been called the strawberry pear. 60 cents each.

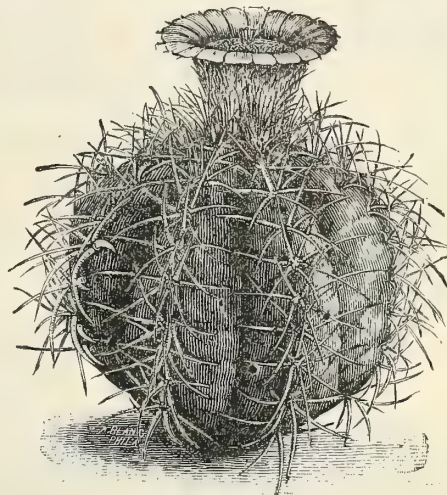
**Echinocactus Capricornis**, this magnificent plant, of which all trace had been lost, has been re-discovered lately. It is spotted all over with clean white dots that give it a distinct appearance. Flowers large, yellow and freely produced. It sells in Europe at \$20. Our price 50 cents each.

**Echinocactus Setispinus**, one of the best bloomers to be had, which makes up for the little beauty that is to be found in the plant. Will bloom from early spring until late in the fall, and then be brightened during winter with coral-red fruit. The flowers are very large, yellow, with a beautiful red circle inside; very fragrant and much admired. Should be placed in the sun when about to bloom. 25 cents each.

**Echinocactus Brevihamatus**, one of the finest Echinocacti and very easy to manage. Color very dark green. A tuft is formed on the apex of the plant by the upper central spines in which the numerous flowers are produced. The lower hooked central spines stand out from the mass of the other spines, the hooks turned downwards, and are beautifully shaded from pure white to brown. As a cheap plant we can recommend it very highly. Price, 25 cents each.



ECHINOCACTUS BREVIHAMATUS.



ECHINOCACTUS HORIZONTHALONIUS.

**Echinocactus Horizonthalonius**, this varies greatly in size, but is globular in form when full grown, with 9 to 10 thick ridges, on which the clusters of spines are very closely set, the number usually being seven, thick and rigid. The flowers are funnel-shaped, purplish pink, the sepals being tipped with a darker shade of purple, and have a pretty effect when opening in the sunlight. The stamens are very numerous, and in some flowers as many as 1,200 have been counted; they also have a rather pleasing appearance, the yellow anthers contrasting with the white filaments. One of the finest Echinocactus in our collection, quite distinct by its beautiful gray color, which is not found in any other kind; very easy to grow, and may well be recommended. Price, 50 cents.

**Echinocactus Texensis**, this very handsome sort is found in many forms. Plants vary in size from 3 to 12 inches across; flowers very large, yellowish rose and beautifully fringed; followed by large seed pods that are extremely ornamental, and remain for several months in a bright red color. We cannot too highly recommend this, and it being a cheap plant should not be omitted. 50c.

**Epiphyllum Truncatum**, this is the well known crab or lobster Cactus, the branches composed of short jointed pieces and drooping. The flowers are bright crimson, very showy, and at times borne in endless number. 15 cents each.



EPIPHYLLUM.





ECHINOCACTUS TEXENSIS.

**Echinocactus Emoryi**, a sort with numerous broad spines, which are of deep crimson and pink colors, giving the plant a most beautiful and odd appearance. This and *Candicans* are gems of great beauty. \$1 each.

**Echinocactus Sheeri**, a most elegant little species, with spines of remarkable beauty, closely and regularly arranged all around the areola; beautifully marked, white and black; flowers green and about one inch long. 25 cts. each.



ECHINOPSIS.

**Echinopsis Eyriesii**, one of the best known of the species and one of the most beautiful when in flower. Stem very regularly globular. Flowers six to eight inches long, like a curved funnel, and are four to five inches across at the mouth, formed by numerous tapering white petals spreading symmetrically. The delicious fragrance possessed by the flowers is very powerful and most pleasing. \$1 each.

**Echinopsis Multiplex**, a good sort, with an exceedingly large number of ribs, from whence its name. A good bloomer, flowers of the largest size, almost eight inches across when fully expanded, and of a delicate rose color, deeper toward the apex. 75 cents each.

**Echinocereus Berlandieri**. This beautiful little Cactus comes to us from South Texas and Mexico, where it grows in sandy or gravelly soils, or on dry sunny hill sides. It forms a tuft of short branches, which spring from short procumbent stems. The flowers, which are sweet scented, are almost four inches across the spreading petals, and are composed of a bristly tube, bearing a singular regular row of bright purple-colored petals with a disc-like cluster of stamens in the middle. 30 cents each.

**Echinocereus Candicans**. We have here a plant that is considered by prominent florists and others as the finest in our collection. A cut would not do it justice, hence we do not attempt it. The beauty consists in the fine color of the spines, which vary from cream color to blood-red. Some plants will be partly white and red, others altogether red; some almost white, then again many show distinct rings of red spines around the stem where the previous years of growth have ended. The flowers are large and very numerous. It should be in every collection and highly prized as an exceedingly fine sort. Finely colored specimens, \$1 each.

**Echinocereus Procumbens**. Spreading prostrate stems, bearing fleshy, upright branches three to four inches high, which when young are four or five angled, becoming quite round with age. Flowers three inches across and bright rosy purple, very similar to those of *E. C. Berlandieri*, but with broader petals. Should be kept warm during winter and not watered. 20 cents each.



ECHINOCACTUS PICTINATUS.

**Echinocereus Pictinatus**. Although this Cactus is not scarce, we have here decidedly one of the very best plants for blooming that can possibly be obtained. Strong single plants will often bear 12 and 15 flowers, and open four and five at one time, and small plants will bloom profusely also. The flowers are simply enormous, often measuring three and one-half inches across, and are of a beautiful bright purplish pink, and very fragrant. One flower will scent a whole house. The plant itself is very ornamental, the spines being pure white and so closely pressed to the stem that they can be handled without harm. We have not another *Echinocereus* that we can recommend so highly. 30 cents each.

**Echinopsis Decalsueanus**, this differs a little in form from the others. Flowers the same, large white. 50 cents each.

**Echinocereus Enneacanthus**. Stems generally branching, three to six inches high, fresh green. Large clusters of this plant produce sometimes an enormous lot of reddish purple flowers, three inches long. The sort we have is very fine, having short yellow spines. It is hard to get single plants, as they mostly grow in large clusters. Don't fail to order this, as it is one of the best bloomers. 30 cents each.



MAMILLARIA APPLANATA.

**Mamillaria Applanata**. No *Mamillaria* will make such a fine show as this one in early spring, when covered with long, bright red berries, which appear between each tubercle. The flowers also appear at about the same time, making it doubly attractive. Will stand rather more water than any other Cacti. 25 cents each.

**Mamillaria Pusilla**, this beautiful little cactus is always admired for its bright, silvery spines, which radiate in the sun. It forms fine clusters in a comparative short time, and consequently can be readily propagated; flowers yellowish white, with a red stripe through center of petal. This is a little gem, and, being a cheap plant should not be overlooked. 25 cents each.

**Mamillaria Lasiantha**, a pretty little species, covered and almost entirely hidden under the dense woolly growth with which it is covered. Flowers one-half inch long, petals white with a red streak in center, which at base forms a red circle around the yellow stamens. 50 cents each.

**Mamillaria Grahmi**, a beautiful little species, really one of the best to be found. Flowers rose colored and appear from June to August. 50 cents each.

**Mamillaria Echinata**, a fine *mamillaria*, with large, very dark green tubercles, closely covered with a woolly substance near the upper part of the plant; central spine very long and black; flowers rosy purple, freely produced. 25 cents each.





**The Queen Cactus** (*Phyllocactus Latifrons*). This grand Cactus grows several feet high, with large flattened stems. The flowers appear at evening and last all night, and are the grandest of all night blooming plants, being of enormous size, nearly one foot across, and of the purest white color, delicately shaded pink outside, with a most lovely form and texture. It is not unusual for a large plant to have 30 to 100 of these enormous flowers open at once. It blooms freely every year, and is indeed a rare plant for anyone to possess. We have a very fine stock, and offer strong plants at the extremely low price of **50 cents each**.

**Phyllocactus Jenkensoni**. A fitting companion to the above. The enormous flowers are rich crimson, with a delicate purple shading toward the centre. The flowers keep perfect several days, and it is not uncommon for a good plant to have more than 100 flowers open at once. **50 cents each**.

**Phyllocactus Crenatus**. Like the Queen Cactus except in the color of the flowers, which in this very rare sort is light straw yellow. **\$1.25 each**.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**—For only **\$1.50** we will send one plant each of these three grand Cactus.





MAMILLARIA MICROMERIS.

**Mamillaria Felispina.** Under this name we have received some most magnificent plants, with the handsomest spines imaginable. They are of ivory white color at the base, turning to dark purple towards the point, and are regularly curved towards the top of the plant. The large size of these spines show off to splendid advantage over the fresh green color of the plant. We consider it one of the very finest in our collection, as regards beauty of form and spines. The flowers are very large, freely produced, and of a beautiful silvery pink color. 75 cents each.

**Mamillaria Fuscata.** This has a bluish green color which gives it a distinct appearance. Flowers purple and of great beauty. 50 cents each.

**Mamillaria Micromeris,** this is one of our special favorites, it being such a unique little plant. Plants when small are as round as a ball and of a greyish white color, the short delicate spines being as soft as silk and completely covering the plant in a web-like manner. As the plants attain age the numerous shoots form a large cluster of the charming ball-like crowns. When in bloom it makes a pretty show the blooms being followed by bright berries which remain all winter and are very attractive. It is a gem. 30 cents each.

**Opuntia Arborescens.** This species has a narrow, much-branched stem, which often rises to a considerable height. These stems are cut, and after the fleshy substance has been removed, there remains a hard, woody network of thick fibres, which is converted into walking sticks. 50 cents each.

**Opuntia Frutescens.** A fine sort of upright growth, and branching freely like a tree, blooming profusely and bearing handsome red, pear-shaped fruit, which is very fine to eat. It is one of the easiest and most desirable sorts to grow. 15c. each.

**Opuntia Emoryi.** A rare species with long, flat spines of the color of ivory, which makes it beautiful and desirable. Flower large, light sulphur yellow. One of the newest and rarest sorts we have. 20 cents each.

**Opuntia Lurida (THE GREAT CANDLE CACTUS).** Words cannot describe the beauty of this plant. It grows 2 to 4 feet high, branching like a tree, and producing hundreds of golden yellow, sweet-scented flowers, large and double, like enormous roses. The stems are covered with a network of shining spines, which reflect a luminous ray of light that can be seen for a long distance, hence its name—Candle. This plant has been known and eagerly sought in the wilds of Mexico for years, and introduced by us last year. It grows very freely and quickly from seed, and this is one of the best ways to get it, as plants are scarce and high. Seed, 20 cents per packet. Fine plants \$1 each.



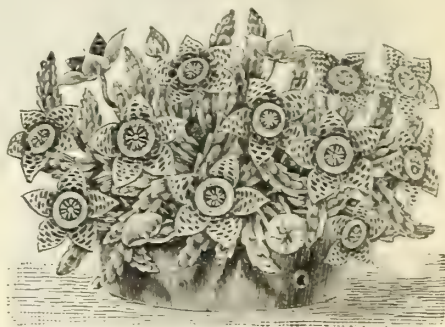
OPUNTIA FRUTESCENS.



CANDLE CACTUS. OPUNTIA LURIDA.

**Opuntia Microdasys.** This Opuntia is admired on account of its distinct appearance. The branches which are of a lively green, are beautifully spotted with tufts of golden yellow. An extra fine sort. 30 cents each.

**Pilocereus Senilis,** the "Old Man" cactus is one of the curiosities of plant life which always attract attention, and its appearance is certainly sufficiently strange to excite some surprise. Pilocereus Senilis derives both its botanical and popular names from the large number of long silvery white hairs which cover the upper portion of its stem, and impart a peculiar resemblance to the hoary head of an aged man. These hairs attain the length of several inches, and instead of spreading regularly, or projecting rigidly, as in other members of the family, they are flaccid and pendulous, thickly clothing the stem. \$2.00 each.



STAPELIA VARIEGATA.

**Stapelia Variegata,** a most curious and beautiful flower, which is star-shaped and of a leathery texture, dark snuff yellow with maroon spots. One of the easiest grown and most desirable of all cacti. 25 cents each.

#### SPECIAL OFFER.

The 45 fine cacti here offered amount to \$27 but we will send one fine plant of each for \$20. Or for \$1.00 we will send seven fine sorts. Our selection.

### Cacti Seed.

Growing cacti from seed affords untold interest and pleasure. Sow under glass in light sandy soil. We offer five separate sorts and a grand mixture. Per pkt.

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| <b>Opuntia Lurida, (CANDLE CACTUS).</b> Grows very fast from seed..... | 20 |
| <b>Opuntia Emoryi,</b> a beautiful sort.....                           | 10 |
| " <b>Missouriensis,</b> native of Missouri.....                        | 5  |
| <b>Echinocactus Emoryi,</b> magnificent.....                           | 20 |
| <b>Cereus Giganteus,</b> the giant Cacti.....                          | 25 |
| <b>Mixed Seed</b> of thirty fine varieties.....                        | 20 |



# Choice and Rare Fruits.

**T**O accommodate many of our customers, who wish a few fruit trees and shrubs, and who cannot conveniently get them by express; we have carefully prepared a brief list of varieties which will suit any person exactly, in any part of the country, and which we can send by mail, post-paid, at prices named; of course if any one can receive them by express we can send larger ones in that way at same price. Of one thing our friends can be sure, and that is, we offer them only the *very best* varieties, those which have proved superior at all of the great nurseries, and which will do well in all parts of the country. It has cost us a great deal of trouble to gain this knowledge, of which our customers can reap the benefit. It is one thing to plant fruits, but quite a different one to know which of the many varieties are really the best. The fruits here offered, being young and thrifty, will make a very rapid growth, and do as well and often bear as quickly as larger ones. Good fruits is one of the greatest luxuries a family can have, and those who have a chance to grow them should spare no trouble or expense to secure a good supply of the best sorts. Nothing enhances the value of a cottage or farm so much as a good garden and good supply of fruits. Such a place usually finds a ready sale at a good price. We wish to call special attention to some of the new fruits we have recently added to our list, notably the Globe Peach, Everbearing Tree Blackberry, Russian Apricot, Prunus Simoni, new Apples, new Strawberries, Juneberry, Nuts, &c. When fruit trees or shrubs are received before they can be planted, they can be safely kept for any length of time, packed in boxes of moist soil and stored in a cool cellar or shed. **It is important to order fruit trees early.**

Prof. Hatch says: "Most men buy the largest fruit trees they can get. This is often a mistake. I plant yearlings, as, when properly set and cared for, being young and vigorous, they come into bearing as soon as larger and older ones. These are usually more or less stunned by being moved. Small trees do not suffer by removal, shipping and change of climate like larger ones, and always grow the best and make the healthiest and hardiest trees. In most cases trees small enough to go by mail are preferable to the larger ones usually sent by freight."



GRAPE, GOLDEN POCKLINGTON.

## Grapes.

We offer five sorts of this delicious fruit, which for fine quality, hardness, vigor and freedom from mildew in all parts of the country cannot be surpassed. They will succeed with any one in any part of the country. There is no fruit that yields more prompt and generous returns, and none that responds more kindly to a little timely care and attention than the grape. Everybody that has a few feet of vacant ground, or a bare wall, fence or out-building, can plant a few grape vines, and have annual returns of the most noble and delicious fruit under the sun. Owners of city lots, or small places in the country, with a little care need never be without abundance of grapes in their season. You can do no more sensible or profitable thing for the comfort and delight of yourself and family, than to plant, and take care of a few grape vines.

**Brighton**, an early sort of the most delicious quality. Bunches large, of beautiful red color, vine hardy and vigorous; a grand sort. Price, 20 cents each; \$2.00 per dozen.

**Niagara**, as hardy, vigorous and prolific as the Concord and the best of all white grapes. Flavor sweet and delicious, and bunches large, borne in great quantity. Ripens early. This grape has been more widely advertised and sold than any other sort. Price, 30 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

**Golden Pocklington**, a delicious, sweet grape, of a beautiful yellowish color, early, hardy and vigorous. A grand sort of recent introduction. Price, 25 cents each; \$2.50 per dozen.

**Moore's Early**, vine even more rugged than its parent Concord; fruit much larger in berry, but as a rule not so large in bunch; quality almost identical, and it ripens full two weeks earlier; a very valuable sort, especially north, as it is so early. Price, 25 cents each; \$2.50 per dozen.

**Empire State**, a remarkable grape and destined to become exceedingly popular. The vine is a strong grower, extremely hardy, free from mildew and a heavy bearer. Clusters large, berry medium, nearly round, white with a slight tinge of yellow, also a heavy white bloom; tender, juicy; sweet, rich. Ripens with Moore's Early, and is a remarkably good keeper. 30 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

**Special Offer.**—We will send one nice vine of each of above five sorts for \$1.00.

## 3 Grand New Early Grapes.

Here we offer a new white, black, and red grape, which in size, earliness and delicious quality are superior to most other sorts.

**Moyer**, extra early, ripening three weeks ahead of Concord. Color deep bright red, and sweeter than Delaware, a sort which it somewhat resembles. Perfectly hardy having originated in Canada, very healthy, vigorous and productive. Pulp juicy and tender to the center. This grand sort cannot be too highly recommended. 50 cents each; \$4.00 per dozen.

**Eaton**, an enormous grape growing as large as plums and in bunches weighing from one to two pounds. Color black with a heavy blue bloom. Vine very tough, healthy and vigorous with enormous leaves. Pulp very tender, juicy, and sweet, being superior to Concord and ripens earlier. Very hardy and enormously productive. Undoubtedly the finest as well as the largest black grape. 50 cents each; \$4.00 per dozen.

**Moore's Diamond**, the finest of all white grapes and ripens the last of August. Vine hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and free from mildew. Berries large, beautiful white tinged with yellow and of the most delicious quality, having very few seeds and a pulp which seems to melt in the mouth like snow. Do not fail to plant this delicious sort. 60 cents each; \$5.00 per dozen.

**Special Offer.**—For only \$1.00 we will send one fine vine each of above three new early grapes. Or for \$1.75 we will send one each of the eight sorts above offered.





STRAWBERRY, FIRST SEASON.

## Strawberries.

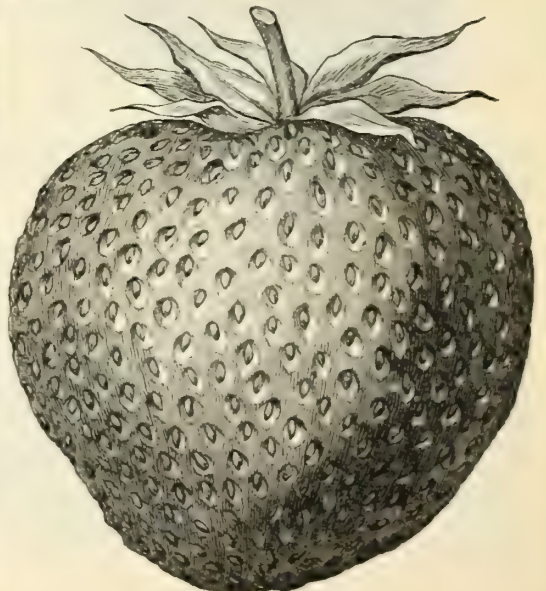
We have reduced our list of Strawberries down to these two sorts, for they are the **BEST AND MOST DESIRABLE IN ALL RESPECTS**. These two combine every good point possessed by other sorts—size, quality, productiveness, health, vigor, and early and late season of ripening.

**First Season.** *It bears a good crop immediately after planting.*

This berry is rightly named, and is the most valuable sort ever introduced, as it *fruits at once*. In size they are among the largest, and in quality they are the *sweetest* and most delicious berry we have ever tried. We have known and watched this berry for a long time, and are satisfied that it must take first place, and is the sort which everybody must have above all others, for outside of its fruiting the first season it is the best and sweetest large berry, and an enormous cropper. Its season is late, and when planted with the Monmouth, which is extra early "Strawberry time," lasts for a long period. It is a self-fertilizing sort, as are also all other strawberries we offer. Strong, vigorous plants, 60 cents per doz.; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.00.

**Monmouth.** In this new berry are combined the best qualities of many leading sorts. It is a strong, rank, healthy grower, with everlasting foliage and perfect blossoms. It is one of the very earliest to ripen, and enormously productive, while in large, uniform size it has few equals. Its flavor is also the very best and sweetest, as it ripens so early (in May here), before the hot sun causes extreme sourness. As a rule, berries are much sweeter in Europe than here, as they have less hot sun upon them. Its extreme earliness helps to give Monmouth its extra sweet flavor. Its size is very large and it is an enormous cropper. 50 cents per doz.; 30 for \$1.00; 100 for \$2.50.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**—For \$1.00 we will send 12 plants of each, or 50 of each for \$2.50.



STRAWBERRY, MONMOUTH.





This has proved to be the finest new fruit in many years. For a blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. This fine novelty of which we control the entire stock (and can be had of no one else), is surely one of the most desirable new things we ever offered, and what we say of it we speak from what we have seen and tested, and not from what others say. It grows 5 to 7 feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect, requiring no stake. The berries are of enormous size equaled only by the Erie, borne in great clusters which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September, making its fruiting period fully two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are the finest quality of all berries, exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardiness in the coldest parts of the country, makes it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Mr. J. T. Lovett says: "Enough cannot be said in favor of this grand berry to do it justice." Some of our customers who bought it last spring report that the plants fruited last summer, and the berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants make them perfect little trees. Last year we did not have half enough to supply the demand, and our stock is not half as large this year as we expected, owing to the difficulty in propagating it.

PRICE—First quality, large and strong, 75 cents each; 3 for \$2.

Mr. E. S. Black, Monmouth county, N. J., August 14th, 1889, says: "I am not surprised to hear of the enormous sale your Tree Blackberry is having. When it was growing here on the place of which I am foreman, visitors who saw it have offered me \$5 each for one or more plants of it. Its straight, stout and symmetrical growth, and loads of large and most luscious berries borne for so long a period, place it at the head of all Blackberries for family use."

CHILD'S  
EVERBEARING TREE  
BLACKBERRY







**A** VERY important new fruit. It attains a height of 7 to 9 feet, branching freely, shoots often growing 4 or 5 feet in one season. It bears an enormous crop every year of large black fruit the size of a grape, which are in quality entirely unlike any other black currant, as it has none of the odor or disagreeable flavor common to black sorts. On the contrary, its quality is very fine indeed, and is not excelled for cooking in any form, either for pies, jam or jelly. Its flavor is that of the Sweet Currant combined with the acid of the Cherry Currant. It commences to bear the second year from cuttings, and will yield a big crop in proportion to its size. It begins to ripen the middle of July and continues to the middle of August. Fruit hangs to the branches for a long time after ripening. The Currant worm does not infest this sort, and it is, in fact, entirely exempt from all insect ravages. It is perfectly hardy, and will stand the most severe climate without a particle of injury in any respect. Price of strong, healthy plants, 50 cents each; 3 for \$1.00.

Mr. J. W. MARTIN of Kansas, says: In answer to your inquiry respecting the new currant sent me, will say that the plants are very vigorous, continuing to grow during droughts and hot suns, and in productiveness it equals or exceeds any fruit that I have grown. In the culinary department it is highly esteemed by my family. For jelly it is fine flavored, rich and healthful, and for pies it cannot be excelled. The old varieties of currants are grown with difficulty here in Cowley County, but this is perfectly at home and will soon become generally cultivated.





PRUNUS SIMONI.

## Prunus Simoni.

This new Plum is called the "King of Fruits," and is believed to be the most valuable new fruit introduced in many years. It is a native of Northern China, and is much harder than any peach, and is as hardy as the leading apples, having stood without injury in Iowa thirty to forty degrees below zero. It forms a small tree, with quite large, long, oval, elliptic leaves, of a dark, shining green. Its flowers are small, white, and open in early spring. Its fruits are very pretty and large, brick red or dark cinnabar color. The flesh shows a fine apricot yellow, is firm, and has a peculiar aromatic flavor not found in the plums we cultivate, and equalled only by the nectarine. This grand fruit should be planted by every one who has a rod of ground. Price, 50 cents each; \$5 per dozen.

## Peaches.

The Peach is such a rapid grower that trees small enough to go by mail bear well in three years. Small trees cost the buyer so little that there is no reason why every home should not be abundantly supplied with this delicious fruit. Plant a few of these choice varieties this spring.

**New Japanese Hardy**, this new sort is as hardy as an ordinary apple and will succeed in any part of the country. It is indeed a valuable sort. The fruit is white shaded with reddish brown; flesh white and of excellent quality. We cannot too highly recommend it for cold climates. Price, 25 cents each; \$2.50 per dozen.

**Globe**, this new variety has been grown in Berks county, Pa., with the old popular standards and many of the new sorts, and has proved superior to all. Its size, beauty and flavor have commended it so highly that it has brought for the past twelve years from fifty to one hundred per cent. more than the best of other varieties. It is a free-stone, golden yellow, with red blush covering half the surface of the peach; globular in form, flesh yellow, flavor luscious, and in quality best. It has produced specimens nearly fifteen inches in circumference. The tree is a good bearer, an upright, compact, vigorous, healthy grower, lasting longer than any other kind in cultivation. 25c. each; \$2 per doz.

**Wonderful**, a grand new sort growing to the enormous weight of 12 ounces. In color it is rich yellow and highly flavored. It is a late sort and enormously prolific, the fruit being firm and keeping a long time. The finest new peach in many years. 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.

**Garfield**, ripens extra early, large, orange and dark red, very handsome, juicy, very rich and excellent. Very hardy and enormously productive. 20 cents each; \$2 per dozen.

**Stump the World**, large, sweet and tender; medium early. 20 cents each; \$2 per dozen.

**Special Offer.**—For \$1 we will send one each of these five grand Peaches.



APRICOT, NEW RUSSIAN.

## Apricot, New Russian.

This is a grand new fruit, and a fine substitute for the peach in a cold climate. It is extremely hardy, having flourished as far north as Siberia, enduring a temperature of forty degrees below zero with impunity, exempt from disease and ravages of insects; adapts itself to all soils, and is apparently as reliable in bearing as the apple. The tree comes into bearing in two or three years, is highly ornamental, with dark livid green foliage and beautiful blossom. The fruit is large, golden yellow, handsome, sweet, and of best quality—selling at high prices in market. It is a good shipper, and keeps a long time after being picked. We cannot speak too highly of it. It is such a reliable fruiter on any soil and in any climate that it is bound to become one of the most popular fruits, and will, especially in cold climates, take the place of the peach. We offer the three most valuable varieties:

**Gibb**, medium size, yellow, sub-acid, rich, juicy, ripens June 20th. The best early sort, ripening with the strawberry.

**Alexis**, large to very large, yellow with red cheek; slightly acid, rich and luscious; ripens July 15th.

**J. L. Budd**, large size, white with red cheek; sweet, juicy, extra fine; ripens August 1st. The best late variety.

PRICE—50 cents each, or the 3 for \$1.

## Pears.

**Kelfer**, this Pear cannot be too highly praised. It is very prolific and bears when very young. Fruit golden yellow, shaded scarlet, sweet and juicy. Tree a strong, vigorous grower, and these little ones we mail will bear in three or four years. Price 40 cents each; 3 for \$1.

**Lawson, or Comet**, this remarkable Pear ripens in July and is in all respects the finest early sort. Fruit very large, crisp, juicy and pleasant. Color a most beautiful crimson on a bright yellow ground, and in point of beauty is unsurpassed. Tree, a healthy, vigorous grower, and heavy annual cropper, commencing to bear when very young. Price, 60 cents each; 3 for \$1.50.

For \$2 we will send three each of these two fine Pears.



LAWSON PEAR.





NEW EVERBEARING RASPBERRY EARTHART.

## Raspberries.

The Raspberry is one of the best and most profitable small fruits that can be grown. They succeed in any situation, even in waste places, along stone walls, etc. Under good cultivation they produce surprising results, and pay ten fold for the care bestowed upon them.

**Earthart.** Of this wonderful new berry the introducer says: "The fruit is of large size, jet black, and good quality, the first crop ripening the last of June. About this time the first of the new canes begin to bloom, and ripen their fruit soon after, and continue to bloom and ripen fruit until frost, producing heavy crops as late as September and October. It is a strong grower with corrugated foliage of dark green color, and has never been known to winter kill." Our experience with this berry has been highly pleasing. The spring of 1887 we set out 1,000 very small tip plants, which started at once into a strong growth and commenced fruiting in August, and continued until frost, producing remarkably large fine berries in enormous clusters, as shown in the cut, which was made from a bearing cane in October. We were surprised to see any fruit at all the first summer on so small plants. It is certainly a perpetual bearer, and we believe has all the good points claimed for it. It wintered in an exposed position without a cane being killed. In fact it is the hardiest sort we know. This season the yield of fruit is marvelous. It commenced to ripen July first, and is bearing enormously, and will continue until frost. We consider it in all respects a highly valuable sort on which too much praise cannot be bestowed. Every one speaks highly of it. The *Rural New Yorker* of October 23, 1886, speaks in glowing terms of it. It says, that one cane, September 1st, had 380 berries, one-third fully ripe. Price, 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.

**Cuthbert,** a large red variety of splendid quality and great productiveness. Hardy and vigorous; this is the finest known red sort. Price, 10 cents each; 3 for 25 cents; 12 for 75 cents; 100 for \$2.50.

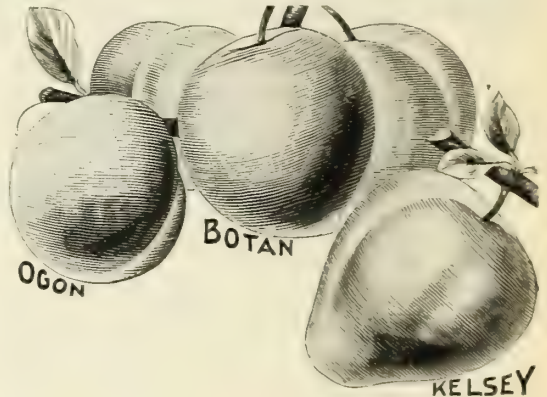
**Golden Queen,** a new golden-yellow berry of great size, productiveness and fine quality, rich, juicy and delicious. Vine a strong, rank grower, fruit extremely large and very beautiful, selling in market above all other sorts; exactly like Cuthbert, except in color. Price, 15 cts. each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$7 per 100.



JUNE BERRY.

## Improved Dwarf Juneberry.

This is a fine dwarf tree which is very valuable both for its ornament and fruit. It is one of the first of all trees or shrubs to bloom in early spring, and is a complete mass of white cherry-like blossoms, showing to great advantage for a long distance. It is indeed one of the most lovely flowering trees. After the plant is two years old we have never known it to fail fruiting a single season on any soil, and any season however unfavorable. After two years the plant will hang loaded with this luscious fruit, so the branches will weep to the ground. It will grow about four feet high. The berries are about half an inch in diameter, and of a beautiful deep purple of exceedingly luscious quality. Delicious to eat out of hand, stewed, or for pies. As for its hardness it is a well-known fact that it is the favorite and main food for bears in Alaska, and when eating this berry, that they become fatter than at any season in the year. This berry will grow on any soil, and in any climate, and bear lots of fruit each year. 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.



## New Japan Plums.

These grand new Plums come in bearing at the age of two or three years, blossoms often appearing the first year. Fruit very large, often weighing over six ounces, with very small pit. Very attractive, fine quality, melting, rich and juicy, and enormous bearers. Wherever these Plums have grown and fruited they have created a great sensation by their enormous size, fine quality and great productiveness.

**Kelsey,** rich yellow overspread with crimson, large and fine but late to ripen. 40 cents each; \$4 per dozen.

**Botan,** large, rich purple in color; medium early. 40c. each.

**Ogon,** golden yellow, very early, large and sweet, and an enormous bearer. 40 cents each; \$4 per dozen.

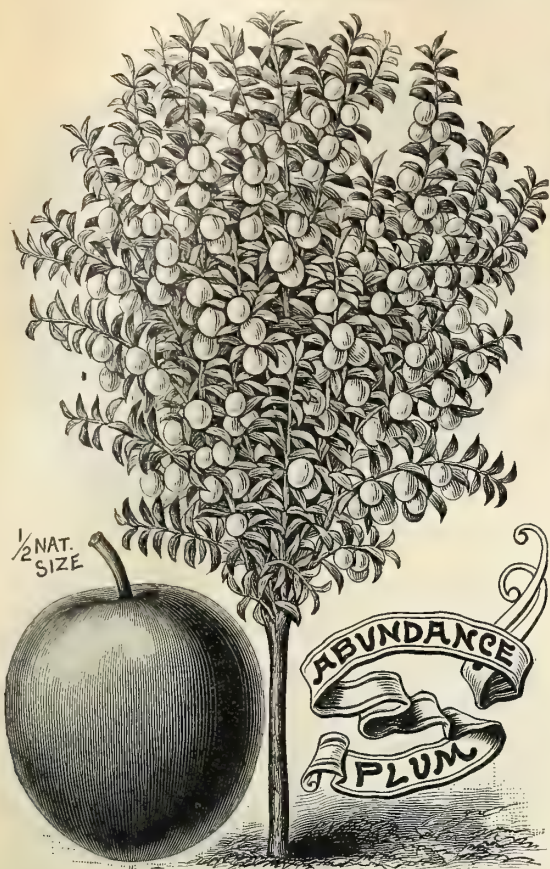
**Special Offer.**—For \$1 we will send one tree each of these wonderful Plums.





### Cherry Olivet.

A few good cherry trees should be found in every place, for they are one of the very first fruits of the season and one of the most delicious. They come when there is no other fruits ripening, and fill a place which no other fruits can. This is one of the very finest, a shiny deep red, large globular, tender, very rich and vinous. It ripens from the middle to the last of June, and is one of the largest and most prolific sorts in cultivation. It is a rapid grower and commences to bear when very young, usually in two or three years from planting. Vigorous young trees, 30 cents each; 4 for \$1.00.



### Three Curculio-Proof Plums.

The great drawback to plum culture has been the curculio which destroys the fruit to a great extent. Therefore, these new sorts will be greatly welcomed and universally planted, for they are almost entirely free from the ravages of this insect. But this is not their only good quality, for they are large, luscious, beautiful, and abundant bearers, often coming into bearing the next summer after planting.

**Abundance**, a remarkable fruit, and unlike any other plum. Its propensities for early bearing are such that it loads in the nursery row, and we have seen little one-year-old trees hardly two feet high, white with bloom, and set heavily with large fine plums. It bears abundantly every year; the fruit is a very beautiful amber, turning to a bright cherry color, with a delicate white bloom, and highly perfumed. Flesh light yellow, juicy, and of a delicious sweetness indescribable. It is enormously prolific, and ripens early in August. 50 cents each.

**Pottawattamie**, a perfect curculio-proof sort, and an immense early and annual bearer. Fruit yellow overspread with pink. Flesh golden yellow, luscious and beautiful. ripens in July. A magnificent early sort. 60 cents each.

**Spaulding**, one of the most delicious fruits ever grown, and said to be positively curculio-proof. Tree a rank grower, with heavy dark foliage; fruit large, yellowish-green with a white bloom. Flesh pale yellow and exceedingly sweet, juicy with a delicious sprightly flavor rarely found in any fruit. When canned it presents not only a most attractive appearance, retaining its natural form and color perfectly, but the quality is simply superb. This plum is exceedingly prolific, coming into bearing when very small, indeed. Ripens the last of August. 50 cents each.

### Currant, Fay's Prolific.

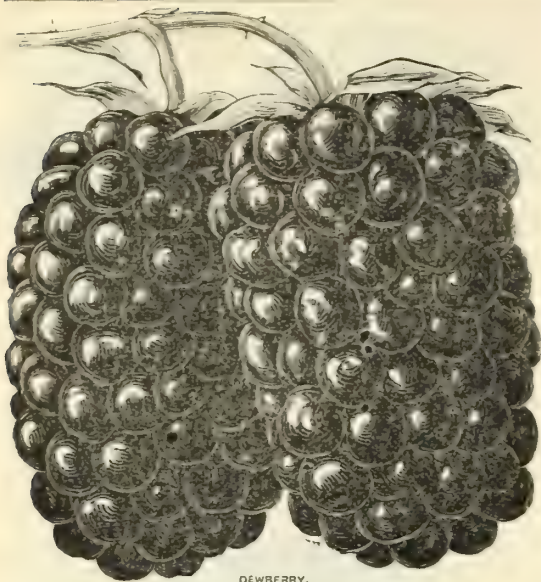
A superb sort of recent introduction. It is large and fine flavored, brightest cherry red, and four times as productive as any other red currant. The bushes are a perfect mass of long clusters of fruit. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 7 for \$1.

### New Japan Pears.

We are much charmed with these new pears from Japan, and can recommend them as an ornamental tree as well as fine fruit. The trees are small growers, but very thrifty with large dark-green, thick, heavy foliage. They bear profusely when only 6 or 7 feet high, producing very large fruit, which hangs suspended from the branches by long stems, and showing among the dense foliage they are indeed, a pretty sight. We have three of the best varieties, some with round and others with oblong fruit. All are equally valuable as to beauty, early bearing and quality. 60 cents each; 3 for \$1.50.







DEWBERRY.

## Dewberries.

In this new fruit (which might be called a climbing blackberry) we have the most delicious of all berries, and one of the most ornamental of all climbing vines. They should be trained on a trellis or tied to a stake like grape vines, and in the spring they produce great masses of large, pure white, sweet-scented flowers, which are followed by clusters of delicious fruit, larger, richer, and far more prolific than blackberries, very juicy and sweet to the core. The fruit is borne in great quantity, and is admitted by all to be the finest of all berries. When made into wine it gives a gentle stimulant, which for invalids is unequalled, the flavor of the wine being as superior as the flavor of the fruit. It is perfectly hardy, and does not sucker from the roots, but is increased from the tips like Blackcap Raspberries.

**Mammoth.** Large and fine. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00.

**Lucretia.** A new sort of immense size and delicious quality. Berries often two and one-half inches in length and borne in great clusters. Very juicy and sweet. 15 cents each; 10 for \$1.00.



CRAB APPLE.

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SIZE



APPLE, YELLOW TRANSPARENT.

## Apples.

The following four new Apples merit special attention. They are the coming apples of the future, and though they are now somewhat higher in price than some old varieties, we earnestly advise all to plant a few at least, for raising grafts for future use, if nothing more. If one is to plant trees at all, he may as well have the best, and surely, no one can have the best without these four kinds:

**Yellow Transparent.**—The earliest of all Apples, and very large and handsome, lemon yellow in color, smooth, waxy surface, flesh white, melting, juicy and delicious. Here we have seen them ripe on the 30th of June. Tree hardy and vigorous. Price, 30 cts. each; \$3.00 per doz.

**Red Beltzheimer.**—An autumn apple of superior quality. Cream color, shaded with light red and purple crimson. Flesh white, firm, sub-acid, with a pleasant flavor. One of the largest, handsomest and best of all Apples. Tree very vigorous. Price, 30 cts. each; \$3.00 per doz.

**Jacob's Sweet.**—Clear, rich yellow, deeply shaded with bright scarlet, crisp, fine grained and of best quality. Keeps in good condition until June. Tree a heavy annual bearer, and of iron-clad hardiness, and comes into bearing very early. Price, 30 cts. each; \$3.00 per doz.

**Salome.**—A grand winter Apple, keeping well into June. Pale yellow, striped red, tender, juicy and delicious. Tree an enormous bearer, and of iron-clad hardiness, and comes into bearing very early. Price, 30 cts. each; \$3.00 per doz.

**SPECIAL OFFER.**—For \$1.00 we will mail one tree each of these four grand Apples.

## Crab Apples.

The Crab is now being planted as an ornamental lawn tree. When in bloom in May they are very beautiful, and when loaded with their showy fruit they are indeed ornamental. They bloom and bear abundantly when very small, and are, indeed, objects of great beauty, to say nothing of their fruit, which is unsurpassed for canning, preserving, jellies and sauce. Their ornamental and useful qualities combined make them doubly desirable for planting in any situation. They bloom and bear abundantly when very small.

**Martha.** A new crab raised from the seed of the Duchess of Oldenburgh, by P. M. Gideon, of Minnesota. "A rapid, stiff grower, a perfect pyramid in tree; a great bearer of the most beautiful fruit; a bright, glossy yellow, shaded with light, bright red; a mild, clear tart, surpassing all other crabs we ever grew for all culinary purposes, and fair to eat from hand. 25 cents each; 5 for \$1.00.

**Hyslop.** Very fine, profuse bearer. Fruit of good size and fine shape; deep, bright red with blue bloom. Very showy, and one of the finest for jellies and preserves. These two varieties of different colors are very beautiful and fine, and we advise our customers to plant both. 20 cents each; 6 for \$1.00.





CHESTNUT, JAPAN GIANT.

## Chestnut, Japan Giant.

A grand, new Chestnut, which commences to bear when but two or three years old, often producing a large crop as they stand in the nursery rows, and we have seen burrs containing from four to seven large perfect nuts. The size of the nuts is about four times larger than the wild chestnut, and it is a tree which everyone should plant. 50 cents each.

## Filbert, Kentish Cob.



FILBERT.

This, the largest and finest of all Filberts is a most desirable nut. The bushes are low, and occupy but little room, and can be planted in any out-of-the-way place, where they produce annually large crops of the choicest nuts. They commence bearing the next year after planting, and the bushes grow and increase rapidly. The Kentish Cob is one of the choicest, scarcest, highest priced, and most delicious of all nuts. Plant a few by all means. They are sure to do well and bear in a year or two. 30 cts. each. \$2.50 per doz.

## Pecan, Hardy Prolific.

This nut, so well known and highly prized by all, is of the easiest culture—the tree being of sturdy, lofty growth, and very prolific. Many suppose it is not hardy North, which is entirely erroneous. The shell is very thin, the kernel sweet and delicious. This is a very superior variety, large, hardy and exceptionally thin shelled and prolific. 20 cts. each; 7 for \$1.00.

## Almond, Russian.

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DOWNING'S MULBERRY.



QUINCE, MEECH'S PROLIFIC.

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**Meech's Prolific**, the wonderful fruit often attains a growth of five feet or more the first year from the cutting, continuing to make a like vigorous growth as they progress; one made 29 feet of wood the second year. They are remarkable for their early and regular bearing and for their wonderful productiveness, sometimes bearing when only two years old. The fruit also is remarkable for its rare combination of beauty of form and color, size, fragrance and flavor. It is shaped like a handsome pear with a smooth, fine skin, of a bright orange yellow, and very large, averaging under good culture, 12 to 15 ounces each. Flesh of the most delightful fragrance and delicious flavor, a basket of this fruit fully ripe, perfuming a large room with its delicate aroma. Its cooking qualities are unsurpassed, being as tender as a peach and quite free from the hard lumps so objectionable in many other varieties. Its beauty of form and color, and holding well its leaves until late in the autumn, renders the tree an attractive ornament to the home grounds and the rich golden hue of an orchard in bearing reminds one of an orange grove in the south. 40 cents each; 3 for \$1.00.

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## New Early Sweet Potatoes.

These four New Early Sweet Potatoes are indeed valuable Novelties. They ripen in ten weeks from the time of planting, and can be grown in any of our Northern States, or in Canada, as well as the ordinary Sweet Potato can be grown in the South. In quality, they are much superior to the Southern article. With these varieties any family in the land can grow their own Sweet Potatoes, and have them in August, before the Southern ones are in market. Set the plants in hills, as you would ordinary Potatoes, and any good soil will answer, though a light, sandy one is the best. Even if the soil is very sandy and poor they do exceedingly well. Plants should be put out during June, or any time up to July 10th.

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